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## Attacks near Del Norte BART make riders wary

Police say a group of juveniles is responsible, but the motive is unclear

depend on BART and walk to and from the busy Del Norte station each day. But a recent spate of beatings and robberies has left some afraid.

In the past month, three men have been jumped by a group of juveniles while walking along the path beneath the elevated BART tracks. Although one man's wallet was taken, the motive of the group of youths is not totally clear.

Walker, 46, who lives two blocks from the station, was the most seriously injured in the as-

saults.

"This pack was drifting from the station and wandering around the parking lot," Walker said. "They didn't say anything to me but it was obvious I was their target."

Walker was heading south on the path toward Cutting Boulevard about 9:15 p.m. May 1 when 10 to 15 teens jumped him and knocked him to the ground.

They kicked and punched his entire body, leaving him covered with bruises and abrasions. They hit his hip until it split open, and

he later required several stitches.

"I hurt all over," said Walker, who has been taking pain medication since the incident. "I was an innocent victim and did nothing to bring this on."

The El Cerrito man is now fearful of taking BART. "I feel like I would be risking my life by being there after dark."

The most recent attack near the station was Saturday when a 65-year-old man was beaten by six to seven youths as he walked toward Key Boulevard at 10:30 p.m.

The group followed, then attacked the man, pummeling him with their fists on his head and upper body, according to police. He was then thrown through a wooden fence.

On April 4, a 20-year-old man was walking on the BART path near Target at 8:15 p.m. when he was confronted by four to five juveniles who surrounded him and asked for money.

The suspects held his arms and searched his pockets, removing his wallet, glasses and calculator. Most of his items were

recovered a short distance away.

El Cerrito police have received several calls for assistance recently from BART police regarding groups of juveniles causing problems at the Del Norte station, said Sgt. Shawn Maples.

In response, beat officers have increased patrols and additional units have been directed to the area, he said.

"BART path robberies are somewhat common but this recent rash of gang-style attacks is

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ESTIMATED 3,000 people from El Cerrito and surrounding communities got a look at murals and features of the former movie theater that served for decades as a furniture warehouse.

## A grand night at the theater

El Cerrito's open house at the former cinema drew an estimated 3,000 people

By Alan Lopez  
STAFF WRITER  
EL CERRITO — An estimated 3,000 people — ranging from the very curious to the enthusiastic — streamed into the interior of the former movie theater when its doors opened for an open house last Friday.

Volunteers were popping popcorn in an old-fashioned kettle, and had pasted up old movie posters, newspaper clippings about efforts to restore the theater, a history of the theater's architectural plans.

Guests wore black T-shirts that read "Friends of the Cerrito Theater." A guest book signed by many who walked into the theater was a furniture warehouse at Central and San Pablo. Many looked straight up at the ceiling's art deco artwork,



EVENT ORGANIZERS put movie posters in the long-empty entryway display cases.

including 1930s-era murals of dancing maidens and Greek Gods.

"I had no idea it was here," said resident Bea McKenzie. "When I read about it in the paper I found it fascinating. I wanted to see what it was like and I want to see the theater

again." Jeff Reimer said he stopped by the theater after seeing the search lights that had been set up on the sidewalk.

"I heard there was something going on with the theater but I

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## Parents take school-funding demands to Sacramento

■ The only way to improve education, say school advocates, is to get the state to spend more money

By Alan Lopez  
STAFF WRITER

After attending PTA meetings, school fund-raisers and countless school district meetings, one thing became clear to Albany parent Karen Carlson-Olson: the school district needed money that the state government wasn't willing or able to give.

That's why Carlson-Olson, along with hundreds of other parents from Berkeley and Albany, made a trip by bus from Berkeley's Longfellow Arts and Technology Magnet Middle School to Sacramento on Wednesday to rally and lobby for

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ALBANY PARENTS and students waved signs at a rally Wednesday on the east steps of the state Capitol building in Sacramento protesting what they say is underfunding public education.

## School music saved from chopping block

■ The decision by the West County school board Tuesday garners a standing ovation from the audience

By Kara Shire  
STAFF WRITER

RICHMOND — The West Contra Costa Unified School District board took music, police services, athletics and a school radio station off the pending budgetary chopping block Tuesday night, prompting wild applause and a rare standing ovation from the packed audience.

More than 150 parents, teachers, school clerks, police officers and students — many carrying instruments and "Save Our Mu-

sic" signs — turned out for the budget study session to lobby school board members to spare their programs in the face of the district's \$2.65 million deficit.

"I think staff and the board have heard these pleas and we agree with them," said school board President Karen Leong-Fenton.

Potential cuts in elementary music, radio, athletics and police services were among nearly \$19 million in proposed cutbacks announced last month. The "menu of reductions" was broad, a school official said, because it was intended to give school board members the most options.

West County, a district long labeled as fiscally troubled, managed to sidestep the deep budgetary problems that plagued

other Bay Area school districts, including Berkeley, Albany and Oakland, this year.

But with health care costs rising 25 percent, retirement costs rising 40 percent and utility costs following suit, West County's \$251 million 2002-03 budget is facing a deficit.

That deficit — and the puny pay raises it's brought with it — is putting a crimp in employee negotiations.

"There are lots of ways to cut a pie, but there's no way to cut a pie that makes it bigger," said school board member George Harris III. "We're faced with a pie that is not growing. To increase the rate of pay ... requires that we cut the pie somewhere else."

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## Del Norte developer moves on to normal city planning process

By Alan Lopez  
STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO — The City Council voted down a proposal to enact more stringent and expensive design guidelines for the Del Norte BART station parking lots on Monday, allowing the developer to move ahead with plans to put housing, offices and stores on the site with BART parking underground.

The city had considered strict guidelines for development of the lots, which cover 8.4 acres, to control use, density, design and more. The plan would have cost \$100,000 to \$250,000.

That plan was put on hold last December when developer Char-

lie Oewel of CFC Corporation approached the city looking to place housing, office and retail there. BART has wanted to develop the parking lots since the 1970s and has an agreement with CFC to develop the site.

The council voted 3-2 to allow Oewel to develop the site without the city creating a specific plan.

"We're not voting on the project tonight," said Councilman Mark Friedman. "We're just voting on the process."

Mayor Pro Tem Kathleen Perka and Councilwoman Gina Brusatori dissented.

"This is a very dense project with significant concerns that have been brought up: parking, traffic," said Brusatori, who

added she didn't feel the city had enough information about the project, including the status of a possible land swap.

Nearly 20 residents spoke on either side of the issue at the council meeting, reflecting the divide on the council.

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INFORMATION FOR LIFE



## NEWS BRIEFS

## Albany

## Forum on choosing a new police chief

The community is invited to a public forum from 7 to 8 p.m. Wednesday to meet with the recruiter Albany has hired to help find a new chief of police.

City voters last year approved changing the way the police chief is chosen from elected to appointed. As a result, the position will be vacant when current Police Chief Larry Murdo's term expires in November. To assist with the search for a new chief, the city hired Gary Brown of Avery Associates, which conducts recruitments statewide for police chief and other city management positions. The public is invited to this meeting with Brown to contribute ideas about the ideal police chief candidate for Albany.

The meeting will take place in the Albany City Council Chambers, 1000 San Pablo Avenue, Albany. For more information, call 510-528-5710.

## El Cerrito

## Bay Vista developer will appeal denial

By a 4-3 vote, the planning commission denied a request by the developer of the Bay Vista development for more time to file a final map of the project to the city.

The developer, Jim Busby, owner of Security Owners Corporation, has appealed the decision and the matter will go before the City Council at its May 30 meeting.

Creek advocates have protested the development, a 14-home subdivision near Potrero Avenue and Madera Circle, arguing it does not comply with the El Cerrito's general plan, which calls for preserving the city's creeks. The development would fill and then culvert a small creek in the area and raze 109 oak trees.

Busby had received four extensions from the city since he filed a tentative plan of the project in 1995 to buy time in order to draft a final plan for the development. If the council denies his request for a one-year extension, Busby could start over with a new development plan or appeal the decision to the courts.

## El Cerrito

## Swim center event garners thousands

Pasta la Vista II, a pasta feed, silent auction and raffle, raised about \$11,000 for the city's swim center. About 370 people bought tickets for the event.

"Last year we came out to about \$11,000 and this year we might hit that just because we're still receiving donations," said Chris Jones, a program coordinator for the city's recreation department.

The silent auction raised about \$3,000, with residents buying items donated by the community. The prizes included gift baskets with different themes, as well as a guitar from Guitar Center and free golf games at the Mira Vista and Richmond Country Clubs. The winner of the raffle received a \$500 travel voucher from Full Circle Travel. The money raised by the event will pay for amenities at the swim center, including pool covers, bleachers and water play equipment. Food was donated by the Macaroni Grill in El Cerrito and the Maggiora Baking Company in Richmond.

## Alameda-Contra Costa

## BART to start early for Bay to Breakers

BART will be in service early for runners and gawkers going to the Bay-to-Breakers race in San Francisco on Sunday, May 19.

The special early morning train service will be available from all stations to the Embarcadero station beginning at about 6 a.m.

The first train departs Pittsburg/Bay Point at 6 a.m., and Richmond at 6:13 a.m. Trains will arrive every 15-20 minutes until 8 a.m., when regular Sunday service begins. Trains will stop at all stations along the way.

Stations will be opened about 45 minutes before the departure of the first trains to allow plenty of time for passengers to purchase tickets.

To prevent overloading on the escalators and elevators at the Embarcadero BART Station, some trains may disembark their passengers at the Montgomery BART station. Both are near the starting point of the race at Howard and Spear streets.

## El Cerrito-Albany-Berkeley-Kensington

## Take a step against cancer at Relay for Life

The American Cancer Society is looking for people from the El Cerrito-Berkeley area to participate in this year's Relay For Life, a 24-hour run around the El Cerrito High School track to benefit the society.

The relay lasts for 24-hours, but runners, walkers, and wheelchair spinners are needed for shorter intervals, as part of a team. Participants are asked to get pledges worth at least \$100 for their efforts.

The relay, one of many being held around the country, starts on Saturday May 18 at 10 a.m., ending the following Sunday at the same time. The events raised around \$200 million for the society last year; about \$20,000 was raised by the local race. For more information call Janice Jordon at 510-525-2608.

## El Cerrito-Albany

## Support, treats for Bike to Work Day

El Cerrito and Albany are participating in this year's Bike to Work Day, starting at 7 a.m. and finishing at 9 a.m. in El Cerrito and 10 a.m. in Albany on Thursday.

The cities will host "energizer stations," that will include free coffee, food and giveaways, in El Cerrito at the Del Norte BART station, at Cutting Boulevard and Kearney Street and in Albany at Solano and Masonic avenues, under the BART tracks.

For more information, call 800-755-7665 or 510-238-3983 or go online at [www.btwd.org](http://www.btwd.org).

## EL CERRITO POLICE REPORT

## Saturday, April 27

■ Property was removed from a vehicle parked at Donal Avenue near Everett Street sometime between 8 a.m. and 2:06 p.m.

■ Property was removed from the Shoe Pavilion store sometime after 9:15 p.m.

## Sunday, April 28

■ A 1990 Honda Accord was stolen from the corner of Cutting Boulevard and San Pablo Avenue sometime between noon and 8:30 p.m.

■ Property was removed from a vehicle on the 3200 block of Santa Clara Avenue sometime between 2 and 7

a.m..

■ A 1995 Ford Windstar was stolen from the 1200 block of Liberty Street sometime between April 23 and April 28.

■ A 1986 Toyota Cressida was stolen from El Cerrito Plaza sometime between 5 p.m. and 8 a.m. the night of April 28.

## Monday, April 29

■ A 1993 Saturn was stolen from the Safeway parking lot sometime between 3:30 p.m. and 5 p.m.

■ A 1991 Honda CRX was stolen from the 7500 block of Livingston Avenue sometime between 2 p.m. and 2:30 p.m.

## ALBANY POLICE REPORT

## Monday, April 29

■ **ATTEMPTED VEHICLE THEFT:** A resident on the 900 block of Kains Avenue reported that thieves had attempted to steal his blue Suzuki motorcycle while it was parked in the apartment garage. He found a pocket knife blade broken off in the ignition.

■ **AUTO BURGLARY:** A resident on the 800 block of Pomona Avenue reported that thieves had broken into her blue '89 Toyota Camry and stolen items. There were no witnesses.

## Tuesday, April 30

■ **MAN ARRESTED:** Officers responded to a liquor store on the 800 block of San Pablo Avenue on reports of a subject who had stolen bottles of beer and was last seen across the street. Officers contacted the 37-year-old transient man for an outstanding Berkeley warrant and for multiple offenses. He was arrested and transported to Santa Rita Jail.

■ **HOME BURGLAR:** A resident on the 600 block of Jackson Street reported that during the night thieves stole tools from his home. There were no witnesses.

■ **BICYCLE THEFT:** A Berkeley man reported that during the day thieves stole his bike while it was locked near Talbot and Marin avenues. There were no witnesses.

■ **DISTURBANCE:** Just before midnight Albany officers responded to the 7-Eleven store on the 1500 block of Solano Avenue on reports of two

subjects who were violating a temporary restraining order and causing a disturbance. One of the subjects, a 24-year-old Berkeley man, threatened officers and was arrested. During booking he was found to be in possession of drugs. He was transported to Santa Rita Jail.

■ **AUTO BURGLARIES:** During the night of April 30 and the morning of May 1 several cars were broken into while parked in the garage at 535 Pierce St. There were no witnesses.

## Wednesday, May 1

■ **VANDALISM:** At about 5 a.m. a resident on the 800 block of Carrizo Street reported that 10-15 minutes prior vandals had flattened all four of the tires to his green '97 Mazda. There were no witnesses.

■ **AUTO RECOVERED:** Officers located a gray '91 Honda Accord on the 1200 block of Garfield that had been reported as stolen out of Berkeley. The car was towed and the owner notified.

■ **WINDOW SMASH:** A resident on the 800 block of Key Route Boulevard reported that vandals had smashed the rear window of her black Subaru. There were no witnesses.

■ **TIRES SLASHED:** A resident on the 1300 block of Washington Avenue reported that vandals had slashed the tires of her blue '83 Volvo. There were no witnesses.

## Thursday, May 2

## City offers variety of issues for its new attorney

By Alan Lopez

STAFF WRITER

EL CERRITO — There's a new face at City Council meetings. Janet Coleson, a member of the San Francisco law firm Richards Watson & Gershon, is the new city attorney, replacing Howard Stern, who recently stepped down after more than 10 years with the city.

Richards Watson & Gershon has offices in San Francisco, Los Angeles and Orange County. The firm serves as city attorney for 20 cities and special counsel to 30 redevelopment agencies in addition to numerous special districts and joint powers authorities.

As attorney, Coleson will prepare and review city ordinances, contracts, leases, resolutions and other legal documents; attend all City Council meetings; attend

other city meetings when requested; and give legal advice to the city. Greg Stepanich will be assistant city attorney and will substitute at council meetings when Coleson is unable to attend.

"I'm very excited to be working with them and we're looking at a number of issues, cutting-edge issues," said Coleson. "And there's a lot of stuff going on in El Cerrito which you wouldn't necessarily expect in a city this size."

Stern stepped down as city attorney to enter into a graduate program in Jewish studies at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley. When he announced his departure late last year, the city began searching for a new city attorney, ultimately choosing the firm Richards Watson & Gershon, among four finalists.

The firm has been around since 1954 and specializes in mu-

■ A 1991 Honda Civic was stolen from the 900 block of Everett Street sometime after 8:30 p.m.

## Tuesday, April 30

■ Property was removed from a vehicle on the 10200 block of San Pablo Avenue sometime between 12:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m.

■ About five men robbed a man at the Ohlone Greenway near Hill Street around 8:15 p.m. The robbers took the man's wallet and other property.

## Wednesday, May 1

■ A man was beaten by 10 to 15 men near the Del Norte BART station

at 9:17 p.m. After beating the man took his property and

■ A garage door on the 5700 block of Charles Avenue was pried open sometime between 5 a.m. and 8 a.m. No property was taken.

■ The window of a vehicle on the 1300 block of Navelle Street was pried open around 4 a.m. No property was taken.

## Thursday, May 2

■ A 1991 Honda Accord was stolen from the 6000 block of Solano Avenue sometime between 2 and 7

driving while intoxicated. Officers arrested the 66-year-old Vallejo DUI. He was cited and released.

## Sunday, May 5

■ **BICYCLE THEFT:** A Berkeley man reported that while at a picnic at the Albany Bowl his bike was stolen while it was locked up.

## Monday, May 6

■ **UNAUTHORIZED RESTRICTION:** At about 12:30 a.m. officers responded to a 43-year-old Vallejo man sleeping bus stop near San Pablo and Avenues. He was found to be intoxicated, arrested for disorderly conduct, cited and released.

## Summary

During the week of April 29, officers towed five vehicles, responded to six false alarms, attended to lost or deceased animals, arrested two people who were loitering, their house or car and responded to four reports of barking dogs, domestic arena officers responded to 19 civil disturbances and 101 pedestrians issuing 9 citations, daytime traffic officer was on duty and 40 warnings. Albany firefighter/paramedics responded to three medical emergencies.

## Friday, May 3

■ **MAN ARRESTED:** Officers contacted a subject sleeping in a '90 Mercury on the 500 block of Pierce Street at about 4 a.m. on May 3. The 22-year-old Hercules man was found to have outstanding warrants from Oakland for \$5,000 and Contra Costa County for \$10,000. He was arrested, cited and released.

■ **AUTO BURGLARY:** A resident at 545 Pierce St. reported that during the night thieves broke into his white Hyundai while it was parked in the garage area. There were no witnesses.

## Saturday, May 4

■ **DUI ARREST:** Officers responded to the 1100 block of San Pablo Avenue on reports of a man who was

bachelors degree in preparation for education at the UCLA master's degree in regional planning from Cornell University in 1987. She attended the University of Colorado School of Environmental Law and

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"... were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter."  
— Thomas Jefferson

## EDITORIAL

### Another fix-it sign

IT SEEMS THE KIDS were right. Many California schools really are atrocious, physically and figuratively. And even the teachers back up their claims, according to a survey released last week. It's more evidence that improving our education system needs more than just lip-service.

A particularly disgusting aspect of the students' and teachers' observations is that the schools are vermin-infested — the kind of infestation that happens over years, not months. But if you can overlook that — which you shouldn't because it's a health hazard — how do you ignore that the students don't have the materials necessary for receiving even an adequate education, let alone a superior one? At the least, they would need both qualified teachers and enough up-to-date books. Many have neither.

And they absolutely deserve that. The students know it, but they shouldn't have to point it out to the educators, boards, superintendents and officials. But they did, in the way that Californians best receive messages — by suing. Students from various lower-income areas in the state, including seven from West Contra Costa County, are plaintiffs in a lawsuit against the state demanding the "bare essentials." Their suit is now class action.

The state denies there is a problem. Roaches and rats? Pshaw. Non-functioning facilities and inadequate equipment? No way. Not enough books? They're exaggerating. If these problems exist, it says, then it's the school districts' fault and responsibility. The governor was suing the districts.

At least some of this is what officials, parents, educators have been saying for a while now. And shifting blame has too often been the response. We're perplexed by the state's denial of a situation when we all know these are part of the reason our education system is in such disarray.

Our education system is broken. Our students' test scores attest to it, suggesting that they can barely read and add. We have the problems of untrained and uncredentialed teachers, disparity of schools based on neighborhoods' average income and a lack of supplies that drives teachers to use their own money to stock the classroom — with basics, not extras.

It would not be surprising to know that our officials are unfamiliar with the conditions of schools in more disadvantaged areas. But the obstacles to learning are rampant. Perhaps that's the part that's so startling, just how widespread the problems are. And it doesn't seem to necessarily be about a lack of money, but perhaps about how prudently money is being used. That will require more examination.

Instead of ignoring and disparaging the validity of this survey, however, the state needs to rededicate itself to the education system because much of the rest of California's strength stands or falls based on it.

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### DIRTY DISHES BREEDING



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### IT'S MOTHERS DAY THIS SUNDAY



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### No theater subsidy

It amazes me, the few people who so religiously emote continually the investing of public moneys in the former Cerrito Theater. They use nostalgia as a reason for revising it, citing historical value and whatever else they can get all excited about.

Why don't they show El Cerrito's residents their money? You want it, you pay for it, but please don't expect me to subsidize you.

Get real. We are a small city of nice homes surrounded by major cities that have great cultural centers. How do you expect little old El Cerrito to compete?

Some people can never be happy with their lot in life — they want my lot also!  
Roy Mespelt  
El Cerrito

### War over survival?

When there is no "market" for products or services available, when there is over-production, when there is not enough money in the hands of consumers to buy products and services available, there is a recession or a depression.

Then, in order to revive the process of wealth exchange, some way has to be found to reduce available products or increase money available to consumers. When neither of these alternatives is sufficient, government steps in and becomes the consumer or employer of last resort.

Production and use of armaments is the ultimate best way to "revive the economy." It puts new money into the system of wealth exchange. Also it creates products that are otherwise useless, soon become obsolete and are used to destroy someone else's excess productive capacity.

The problem with the armament solution is that in the current circumstances, war may escalate into an exchange of nuclear or other weapons of mass destruction. In that case, the cure may be worse than the disease. But as Noam Chomsky has said, the United States seems to have chosen war over survival.

History indicates that power extends itself until it is stopped by an opposing power. In the current circumstances, that may be the final conflict. One scenario envisioned by military planners seems to be mass destruction on a massive scale, with few resources left on either side. Resources being people and property.

In the current circumstances, the United States seems to be positioning itself for a final conflict with China by first securing dominance over the Middle-Eastern oil.

Charles T. Walton  
Berkeley

### Organize for theater

If El Cerrito can have a flea market for the swimming pool, why not one for the Cerrito Theater?

There are a lot of civic groups around; are any of them willing to take it on as a project? Can we organize work parties to clean up some of the debris that needs cleaning up? If we can do it for the parks, why not for a building?

What is needed to begin with is someone who can light a fire under those who want the cinema restored, the way Kathy Perka did for the plaza. If Orinda could do it, why not us?

These are just ideas off the top of my head. I am sure other people have other, better ideas. Keep it going!

Agnes Allison  
El Cerrito

### District is top-heavy

Salary negotiations have begun for West Contra Costa school district teachers. The school district has offered its teachers a zero percent raise. Considering we are the lowest paid district in the Bay Area, this is unacceptable.

We realize times are hard and money for schools is tight this year. However, other districts seem to have money for their teachers. Why is our school district always more financially strapped than other districts with comparable student populations? The answer seems to be our district is top-heavy with administrators.

Any position not directly helping children, not bringing money into the district or not mandated by state or federal law should probably be eliminated.

Let's consider what could be done in our district if some of these high-paying administrative positions were eliminated. The following are some of the possibilities:

■ This district could pay enough to attract and keep credentialed teachers.

■ There would be money for librarians at the elementary school level and counselors at the junior high and high school levels.

■ School libraries and computer labs could be updated.

■ Teachers at the primary level could have a weekly preparation period to conference with parents or plan lessons.

■ Schools could have money for special programs to enrich every child's educational experience.

What would benefit the children most, more administrators or the ideas listed above? As taxpayers, we should all have a voice in how our tax dollars are spent. Contact a school board member concerning where the priorities should be.

Recently, Superintendent Gloria Johnston gave every teacher in the school district a letter informing us that we need to "think outside the box" concerning salaries. Perhaps a good place to start would be to look seriously at the amount of money spent on administration and consider which positions could be eliminated without hurting the education of our children.

Our students deserve the best possible education.

Jean Mock  
Richmond

This letter was also signed by eight other teachers at Olinda Elementary in El Sobrante.

### Compare 'successes'

Those who want blindly to believe in Israel should read the book, "Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee," by Dee Brown. The false treaties, the massacres of whole villages, the punishment of the many for the crimes of the few — the decimation of the Native Americans by land-greedy

whites reads just like a chronicle of Palestinian subjugation by the Israelis.

The Sharons, the Bushes, the Clintons, the Rumsfelds, who all believe in the principle, "If I can beat up the other guy, I can have his stuff," perhaps take the legacy of such past "successes" and they should also remember that they prevailed in South Africa and India.

They are straining hard to pretend morality is on their side. As an American who objects to the illegal use of money for the violation of human rights, I applaud Colin Powell's mediation efforts and I demand that the United States quit stalling on the sending in of peacekeepers now.

Nancy K.  
Kensington

### Room for both

I don't understand why El Cerrito is pushing the restoration of the old El Cerrito Theater on San Pablo Avenue.

When a multiplex wanted to build the El Cerrito Plaza, the city was much against it. The old theater on San Pablo has no parking, while the new Plaza would have been very accessible.

As a senior citizen, I would have loved to have a theater at least twice a week. Once there, I would have done my shopping. As it is, I go up to the Hilltop center complex and do all my shopping at Hilltop mall.

I know the San Pablo Avenue building is of historic value, but why not both types of theaters exist?

Jacqueline H.  
El Cerrito

### Fair's fair

There are differing opinions where America should stand in the Middle East crisis. As an American, I am fair-minded, here is what I find.

During Bill Clinton's term, Arafat offered a peace plan, including a 97 percent of the West Bank, a Palestinian capital in East Jerusalem, plus a \$30 billion for the resettlement and compensation of Palestinian refugees. Arafat was down. Why? Because his goal was the total destruction of Israel.

Arafat's regime gives \$10,000 to the immediate family of the suicide bomber plus financing the training and arming of the bombers beforehand, and paying to finance their families after.

Pro-rated to population, Israel has experienced eight times the level of terrorist violence and deaths than the United States did from the Sept. 11 World Center bombing. We declared an all-out war on the al-Qaida, sent our navy halfway around the world, bombed and eliminated their Taliban protectors, we're still hunting them.

When Israel declared the same war on the terrorists who lived right in our door, the United States asked Israel to cease, desist and bring their forces home.

Israel is a democracy — a free society. The Muslim countries, Arafat's Palestinians are monarchies, dictatorships controlling every word in the press, the media, even what they dare say in public. They indoctrinate school children to hate Israelis, to killing them is a noble thing.

Draw your own conclusions.

Morris  
El Cerrito

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# Computers show how traffic might be 'calmed' on Marin Avenue



DAVE GREER  
Man About Town

THERE WAS A capacity crowd in the Albany Council Chambers to see a computer simulation demonstration of several proposals to slow traffic on Marin Avenue. "Calming" traffic on the street is a top priority in a traffic management plan the city adopted in 2000.

Northwest Engineering's Bill Johnson presented the demonstration at a May 2 meeting of the traffic and safety commission, which has been given the task of recommending a plan to slow vehicles on Marin. To nobody's surprise, the popular plan calls for a reduction of traffic lanes from three to two, one of which is a travel lane, and the addition of a bicycle lane.

There would also be "bulbs" at signalized intersections where there are now crosswalks. Burton told the commission that even with the reduction in travel lanes Marin would have the capacity to handle traffic levels out to 2010. However, at peak traffic there would be a 50 percent increase in travel time from San Pablo Avenue to the city border at Tulare Street. The signalized intersections, which cars could extend for two blocks.

Four possibilities for Marin Avenue were presented and voted on by the audience. The first was to leave it as is. It received 12 votes. The second, described above, received 25 votes. A third option, which adds stop signs at Cornell and Ramona avenues to second proposal, earned 10 votes. A fourth option to install the two stop signs received four votes. The results will be considered by the commission. Burton recommended against the plan on the grounds it would reduce the carrying capacity of the road too much. He also added that against option four, saying stop signs would be considered "unwarranted," have "low level of compliance" and "not reduce mid-block traffic." Stop signs also create more pollution, and rear-end collisions, he said.

The favored Option Two was estimated at \$700,000. As budgets are the only hard numbers this seemed high to me. Burton told me that removing the existing painted lines and repainting them or using long-lasting thermoplastic paint is "not as cheap as you might think." Apparently not. Many Police Lt. Greg who heads traffic enforcement, answered many questions about police efforts to slow traffic. He said the department needed officers to traffic

control, and since last July it has run 21 special operations. Some of these involved plainclothes officers crossing Marin as pedestrians. He thought speeds had been reduced but felt the problem could not be fully resolved by law enforcement alone.

Community Development Director Ann Chaney told the group the city does not have funds for the Marin Avenue project, but that once the council has decided on a plan it will seek grants.

"There is a good deal of bicycle grant money out there," she said. The Traffic and Safety Commission will consider this matter again at its May 27 meeting, when public comment again will be heard.

The commission will then make its recommendation to the City Council.

**OPPORTUNITY FOR SCHOOLS:** One of the many problems secondary schools face is finding qualified teachers, particularly in math and science, willing to work for lower salaries in the schools than they can earn in private industry or government.

A bill recently approved in the Assembly Education Committee (AB2575) would make it easier for qualified professionals to make the transition to public school teaching.

The bill is, of course, meeting opposition from educators protecting their turf.

In order to teach English at the high-school level, I went through a credentialing program at UC Berkeley in the '60s. By then, I had worked three summers on a weekly paper and seven years on dailies, but this experience counted for nothing.

The required academic instruction was mostly a waste of time. I was subjected to the new English grammar then in vogue. This was such gibberish that it disappeared entirely in a few years.

Educators are almost as trendy as clothes designers. The only academic bright spot was a public-speaking course by David Ostroff, an excellent modern poet. It turned out to be a wonderful poetry class with enough public speaking thrown in to cover the requirement. You get all the public speaking you need when you become a teacher.

What was helpful was teach-

ing English for a semester in Oakland Technical High School. My master teacher was a breezy young fellow who soon discovered he didn't need to spend much time in class with me. This was good for both of us as he got an almost free period, and I had a chance to teach on my own.

My second semester I taught in a Berkeley junior high school with many challenging and sometimes defiant students. Fortunately, my master teacher was an old hand at keeping order. Although I didn't have the clout he did, I got the hang of class control well enough that he soon left me in charge.

Occasionally he had a word with one of my hard-case kids, but mostly we spent our conference periods talking politics and eating popcorn.

The bill proposed by Assemblywoman Lynne Leach is a reasonable streamlining of the present overly lengthy 18-month credentialing process.

Under AB2575, the candidate would spend 30 days observing a teacher, 30 days of limited teaching, and 30 days of teaching under the supervision of a credentialed teacher. The candidate would also take a classroom management course.

This should be ample preparation for those with a genuine desire to educate young people. There is no way to completely prepare a teacher for what he or she may encounter on the job. This is proved by the number who now drop out their first year.

As a matter of fact, I got my first high school job because a freshly-minted teacher quit after two weeks. I saw why he threw in the towel when I met his classes and learned how little backing the faculty received from the administrators.

I established order, but it wasn't easy. If administrators do not support the teachers, the school becomes a jungle.

If you are interested in getting badly needed professionals into teaching, you should follow this bill and give it your full support.

## ALBANY CHAMBER NOTES

# That unmatched community feel

By James Carter

In three weeks and two days, we will celebrate "A Taste of Albany" in Memorial Park with friends and loved ones.

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**SOMEONE** once described Albany as "a sweet little town blessed with a wonderful combination of mom-and-pop stores and modern boutiques, one rich in diversity — a beautiful, sane, and generous place ..."

Where else could you go and during one afternoon visit, get a hairdo, buy fresh-baked bread, cakes and cookies, have your nails done, your teeth cleaned, your back adjusted, and your pet bathed and trimmed?

If you have enough time, you can get in a couple games of bowling at one of the remaining small-town bowling alleys (Albany Bowl), buy a new car (Albany Ford), get a pet fish (Albany Aquarium), find teddy bears and baubles (Bears & Baubles), get an ice-cream cone and a sundae, enjoy a wonderful foreign film (Landmark's Albany Theater) nibble on a fresh croissant and sip a cappuccino?

Sure, you can go to a parking-lot mall and patronize stores that carry the exact same items you would find shopping in Houston, Bakersfield, or Phoenix. Or you could experience a place, a community, a neighborhood — a town

where merchants are happy to see you, stock their own shelves with wonderful items they order themselves.

And new spots are popping up on Solano and San Pablo avenues. Now there are three antique stores within shouting distance on Solano Avenue: Sisters, Antiques on Solano and R.H. Anderson's, all offering a antique furniture, jewelry, clothing, and more.

Then there is the Albany Arts Gallery just across the street, brimming with lovely work from artists from around the Bay Area. You will feel right at home in all of these establishments. That is the beauty of our town, a place where Main Street meets the future.

As local businesses flourish, our Chamber of Commerce is also growing, so rapidly that we have fallen behind in our task of recognizing new members. Why are we so busy?

If you attended our last mixer, you would understand. At the gathering co-sponsored by the City of Albany, the Council Chambers were stuffed to the rafters, and those who feasted on the terrific food there were stuffed to the gills. We want to thank Assistant City Administrator Ann Ritzma and Cindy Chile, who worked very hard indeed, to make our last mixer a huge success, providing a spread that was truly amazing.

And speaking of mixers, you'd better mark May 22 on your calendar. That night we will announce the winners of the Citizen and Youth of the Year Award, an occasion we will celebrate in style at the Turf Club at Golden Gate Fields. More about that in a future column ...

There are other reasons folks are flocking to the New Chamber of Commerce. Our first-ever Youth Video Game Tournament was a great success! Organized by our nine interns, all members of the Lead-

ership Class at Albany High, young people matched wits in a thoroughly enjoyable evening.

Thanks go to our two major sponsors, Waste Management and Albany Bowl, who provided the seed money for this event. We also want to thank Domino's Pizza, Dave's Doughout, and Safeway Stores, all of whom generously donated food and prizes.

We couldn't have staged the tourney without the help of AHS Assistant Principal Randy Booker, who helped make the event a success. Then there was Albany Police Sgt. Mike McQuiston, and three of Albany's finest, volunteers from the police reserves. And finally thanks to our interns, who planned, organized and worked the video game tournament: Curtis Steudeman, Cecilia Lei, Preston Lam, Richard Gong, Angela Giganti, Janice Liu, Poong Teoh, and Dimphy Sasse. A special thanks to Tony Wang, who came through in crunch time ...

The New Albany Chamber of Commerce is just beginning to show its stuff. Soon after a Taste of Albany, our new Web site will go online, designed by one of our talented Chamber interns, Richard Gong.

It will offer everything from a brief history of Albany to information about our members (including hyperlinks to their Web pages), commercial property listings, and much more. Our new logo is featured prominently on page one, a lovely new design created by Unparalleled Lines. For more information about these talented folks, visit their site at [www.linesdesign.com](http://www.linesdesign.com).

See you June 2 at "A Taste of Albany." For more information: [albanychamber@bigplanet.com](mailto:albanychamber@bigplanet.com).

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Submissions to the Community Calendar must be received Thursdays one week prior to publication. Listings are on a space-available basis.

## Children

**Teen Support Group** meets twice a month Tuesday evenings at the Women's Cancer Resource Center, 3023 Shattuck Ave. The free support group is for teens who have a parent or caregiver with cancer. The meeting is co-facilitated by a teen whose mother had breast cancer. For more information, call PediatricCare at 531-7551.

**Check out books** from the Berkeley Richmond Jewish Community Center Library. Spend quality time with your kids, meet with the children's librarian, research your Jewish roots or check out best sellers. The library is located at 1414 Walnut St. Hours: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays. For more information, call 848-0237.

**Hall of Health**, 2230 Shattuck Ave., a health exhibit museum of Children's Hospital Oakland, presents free puppet shows, 1:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. The Kids on the Block, the award-winning educational puppet troupe, features puppets with such conditions as cerebral palsy, blindness and Down syndrome. The Hall of Health is a hands-on community, health-education museum and science center, sponsored by Children's Hospital Oakland and Alta Bates Medical Center. Hours: Tuesday to Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, call 549-9682.

**The City of El Cerrito** offers special programs for children from 22 months to 5 years of age. These programs are designed to offer parents an opportunity to leave their pre-school children in a safe atmosphere under qualified supervision. The program for ages 22 months to 3-1/2 years meets Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to noon. Registration is continuous as long as space is available. Located at 7007 Mooser Lane. For more information, call Judie, 215-4371.

**LGBTQ Parent and Prospective Parent Groups** meet the first Saturday of the month 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. with concurrent childcare. All groups meet at the Pacific Center at 2712 Telegraph Ave. in Berkeley. Donations are requested, but not required. For information or to RSVP contact Anna at familyprogram@yahoo.com or 415-789-8560 classes.

**The Ann Martin Children's Center** offers eight "Support Groups For Mothers," sessions for first time mothers and babies their babies under 5 months. Experienced facilitator. For information, call 524-0821.

**Lawrence Hall of Science**, UC Berkeley's public science museum and center for K-12 science and math education offers three residential summer science camps, including two camps held at actual University of California field research stations; and three Sierra backpacking summer science camps. Each camp emphasizes fun outdoor science explorations through hands-on, inquiry-based activities, as well as lots of traditional camp fun. Each camp has a unique theme, and is designed for a specific age group. Call 642-2275 or e-mail to: linfo@uclink.berkeley.edu. To register, call 642-5134.

**"Theater Rats,"** Julia Morgan's kid's theater camp program, offers swimming, singing, dancing, acting, and field games as some of its exciting activities. The camp is a two-week session for kids 6-14. Call 893-7023 for additional information.

## Health

**Charcot Marie Tooth (CMT)** support group meets Saturdays bimonthly at West Berkeley Library, 1125 University Ave. from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. CMT is a neuropathic disorder. Call 524-3506 for additional information.

**YWCA Health and Community Education**, drop in classes in dance, fitness,

yoga, martial arts and more; University YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, 848-6370; \$8 - \$10.

## Community

**Tibetan Aid Project Annual Spring Benefit Dinner** takes place from 6 to 9 p.m. Friday, May 10, at the Brazilian Room in Tilden Park. Suggested donation: \$108. For more information, call 800-338-4238 or 848-4238.

**The Trees of Hope Committee**, the Berkeley Richmond JCC and a Jewish Voice for Peace sponsor "A Vision for Peace in the Middle East," at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 11, at the Berkeley-Richmond Jewish Community Center, 1414 Walnut St. Speaker is author Rabbi David Forman founder of Rabbis for Human Rights. For more information, call 415-789-8279.

**First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley** presents the Caregivers, Survival Series workshop, "Your Friend or Loved One has Cancer, Part II," from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, May 11, at 2407 Dana St. Pastor Debbie Whaley will lead a discussion on the cultural, emotional, and spiritual aspects of dealing with cancer. The workshop is free, and includes breakfast. Registration is requested. Call Alicia Shaffer at 848-6252 X241 or 848-6242. For questions contact Kate Gong at 548-1133.

**The Berkeley Art Center**, 1275 Walnut St., hosts its 10th annual Youth Arts Festival through May 24. A city-wide celebration includes art, music, dance and poetry by talented youth from the Berkeley Unified School District. A visual art exhibition features paintings, drawings, sculptures, ceramics and mixed media by K-8th grade students. Admission: Free; workshops \$15. Call 644-6893 for scheduling and more information.

**Berkeley Camera Club** meet Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at the Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda, Berkeley. Share your slides and prints and learn what other photographers are doing. Monthly field trips. For more information, call Don at 525-3565.

**TOPS (Take Rounds Off Sensibly)** Chapter CA 1294 is now meeting from 7:15-8:30 p.m. every Thursday evening at Mira Vista UCC Church, 7075 Cutting Blvd. TOPS is a non-profit organization assisting men and women in weight control. For more information call Betty Coates at 235-0490. This chapter has moved from Richmond.

**Turning Point at the YWCA**, 2600 Bancroft Way, sponsors Resume Clinics on Tuesday afternoons, or by appointment. To sign up for an appointment, leave a message several days before you would like to meet. Anne Levine Ph.D. has a background in Design and Education. For the past 10 years, she has assisted in producing numerous resumes as part of her desktop publishing business. Call 848-6370.

**Marlon Rosen**, founder of Rosen Method bodywork and movement, presents the Method through lecture, demonstration, and experiential practice. Rosen is joined in the presentation by Sara Webb, Senior Teacher of Rosen Method bodywork. Location: Feldenkrais Resources, 830 Bancroft Way. Admission: \$10. Reservations are strongly recommended. For more information or to make a reservation, contact Abby Paige, at 845-6606.

**Berkeley's Office of Emergency Services** presents a new series of free Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) classes. The classes give basic, practical information, including hands-on training in fire suppression, light search and rescue, and disaster first aid. All classes are held at the fire department's Emergency Operations Center, 997 Cedar St. The classes are open to everyone, 18 or older, who lives or works in Berkeley. To register, or for more information, call the Office of Emergency Services, 644-8736.

**Berkeley Art Museum**, Pacific Film Archive offers a guided tour of Equal Partner: Men and Women Principals in

Contemporary Architectural Practice presented by graduate students from the UC-Berkeley Department of Architecture, College of Environmental Design on Alternating Thursdays at 12:15 p.m. and on Sundays at 2 p.m. For additional information call 642-0808.

**Overeaters Anonymous** meet Fridays at 1:30 PM at the Northbrae Community Church in Berkeley, 941 The Alameda between Solano and Marin avenues, in Room 2—the childcare room—parents may bring their children. This organization is for individuals who eat compulsively? For further information, call Katherine at 525-5231.

**Toastmasters**, do it now. Stand up and say what you mean. Come practice Tuesday, noon to 1 p.m. at 700 Heinz Ave. Call 883-6708 for additional information.

**Civil Rights activists** needed. Write the ACLU chapter of Berkeley, Albany, Richmond, and Kensington, P.O. Box 11141, Berkeley, CA, 94701. "Work Buddies", volunteers needed to perform volunteer work with people in early stage Alzheimer's Disease. Minimum six-month commitment, two to three hours per week. Training provided. Contact Nannette Lipton, 644-8292.

**Psychic Healing clinic**, 7 to 9 p.m. Mondays; free clinic at the Academy for Psychic Studies in Berkeley, aura cleansing, stress relief; 1-800-642-9355.

**SMART project**; the Alcohol Research Group in Berkeley is conducting a study to compare the cost and effectiveness of two kinds of substance abuse treatment: medical model day treatment and social model day treatment. By calling 1-888-249-8802 and agreeing to do three interviews, individuals chosen for the study receive free treatment at existing treatment programs.

**The Edible Schoolyard**, an organic gardening and cooking program at Berkeley's King Middle School, seeks volunteers to work with students, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 558-1335.

**English-In-Action** lets you make friends from around the world. Volunteer as a conversation partner with a foreign UC scholar/student for one hour a week. YWCA, at Berkeley, Call 843-9716.

**Women's Daytime Drop-In Center** in Berkeley, serving women who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, needs volunteers. The Center is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Volunteers are needed for morning and afternoon shifts. For more information, call 466-5663.

## Exhibits

**"Palestinian Children Recreate Their World,"** reception, art show and fundraiser is from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, May 18, at the Nexus Gallery, 2701 Eighth St., (at Carleton.) A \$10 donation is requested. This is a benefit to raise funds for support services for women and children in the West Bank and Gaza. For more information, call 531-4771.

**The UC Berkeley Art Museum and Pacific Film Archive** continues its exhibit of Masterworks of Chinese Painting through May 26. The Cahill collection, historically known as the Ching Yuan Chai Collection represent virtually every period and phase of Chinese paintings over the last 900 years and include major figure paintings and a selection of botanical and animal subjects. General admission: \$6;

seniors and students 12-18 years, \$4; BAM/PFA members, UC Berkeley students, staff and faculty, and children under 12 are free. For more information call 642-0808.

**The Richmond Museum of History** continues exhibits highlighting Richmond's agricultural beginnings, industrial achievements, and homefront contributions during WWII. Special exhibits and events are held throughout the year. The museum is located in the historic 1910 Carnegie Library in the Old Downtown area at the corner of 4th Street and Nevin Ave. Call 235-7387 for more information or to arrange tours.

**The City of El Cerrito** presents Open Clay Studio ongoing classes on Mondays, 7-9 p.m. Experience with clay is helpful, but not necessary. Opportunities will be provided for students to explore areas of clay work. Demonstrations and instruction will be provided on requests. Admission: \$7.50 residents, \$9.38 nonresidents. The location: Tassajara Pottery Center, 2575 Tassajara Boulevard. For more information, call Judie at 215-4371.

**Alta Bates Medical Center** presents work by members of the California Watercolor Association at its Community Art Gallery, 2450 Ashby Ave., Berkeley. The gallery is in the main corridor to the left of the information desk and main entrance. Call 204-4444 for additional information.

**New Pieces Gallery** is located on Solano Avenue. New Pieces is the only gallery which shows quilts and soft cloth sculptures and dolls exclusively. The gallery is open during store business hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday Noon to 5 p.m. except major holidays. Details: 527-6779.

## Literary Events

**The Reading Edge** is available for public use at the Berkeley Public Library, 2121 Allston Way. This computer scans printed text and reads it back aloud with a synthesized voice. It's available for anyone with a disability that requires its use to access print material. Users must complete a brief training session before using the Reading Edge; after that, reservations are needed. Call the Reference Desk at 644-6648 to set up a training session.

## Meetings

**Improve your speaking skills** by attending Berkeley Communicators' Toastmaster meetings, the first and third Wednesdays each month at 7:15 a.m. at Vault's Cafe, 3250 Adeline Street. Call 527-2337 for more information.

**The Berkeley Camera Club** meets Tuesday evenings 7:30 p.m. at the Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda. Share your slides and prints and learn what other photographers are doing. Monthly field trips. For more information, call Don at 525-3565.

**Free seminar on Natural Learning Rhythms**, a holistic understanding of child development, takes place from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Berkeley Public Library, Claremont Branch, 2940 Benvenue. The program describes each stage of a child's life, natural pauses and transitions. Registration is required. Call 800-2001107 for more information.

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**Julia Morgan Center for the Arts** hosts an informational and discussion session regarding dance opportunities in the Bay Area. The center opens its doors to the dance community and presents its plans for Dance Week 2002 and for future dance performances on the stage of Julia Morgan Theatre. The event is free. RSVP to Bridget Frederick at bridget@juliamorgan.org or by calling 845-8542, ext. 302. Visit the Web site at www.juliamorgan.org for more details.

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**Disabled American Veterans Chapter 25** meets on the third Tuesday of the month. The evening begins with a no host dinner and fellowship at 7 p.m. at 2068 Center St. A short business meeting follows at 8 p.m. at 1931 Center St., the Veterans Memorial Building. Price: \$3. Women who have had relatives in the US Military are invited to attend and join the auxiliary. For more information, call R. DeRitt, Cmdr. D.A.V. Chapter 25, 916-372-8364.

**The YWCA** offers free orientations of its Turning Point Career Center. The orientations outline the resources available to the public and the great variety of workshops held every Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. The Turning Point Career Center is located at 2600 Bancroft Way. For more information, call 848-6370.

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**The Berkeley Arthritis Support Group** meets on the second Tuesday of each month (except member 1) to 2:30 p.m. in the Auditorium, Herrick Campus, Dwight Way. For additional information call 204-4503.

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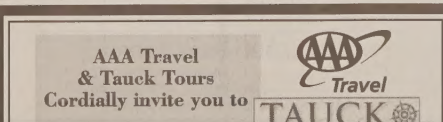
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**Alta Bates Comprehensive Cancer Center** continues with the "O Divine Earth" series, presents "O Divine Earth, Music of the Sacred and Secular" at 8 p.m. Saturday, May 18, at St. Ignace Church, 1640 Addison St. Tickets: \$10 and \$5. For more information, call 841-1903.

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**Turning Point** at the YWCA, 2600 Bancroft Way, offers "Scribble Time," a technique that helps participants understand themselves and to find focus. The group meets on Tuesdays by appointments and is free to YWCA members. Call 848-6370 for additional information, leave a message for Anne Levine.

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**Alta Bates Medical Center**, 3001 Dwight Way, offers support group classes for stroke survivors and their families and friends on the first Tuesday of the month from 4-5 p.m. at the Herick Campus of Alta Bates Medical Center. There is no admission charge and advance registration is not necessary. Call 204-4503 for additional information.

**The Comprehensive Cancer Center** and Breast Center Salon, Alta Bates Medical Center, 3001 Dwight Way, offers a support group for friends and families coping with cancer. The support group is offered on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month. This is a free service. Call 204-1811 for additional information.

**The Lupus Foundation of Northern California** is still accepting applications for its Youth Pilot Support Program currently underway at Lucille Packard Children's Hospital at Stanford. The group meets monthly and is open to teens suffering from lupus and other rheumatic diseases. For more information, call ((408) 954-8600 or visit [www.balf.org](http://www.balf.org).

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**Folkdance classes**, Mondays 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Arlington Community Church, 53 Arlington Ave. (across from the Kensington Library). Simple and clear lessons for people of all levels. Emphasis is good music and fun. Cost: \$30 for 6-week session (prorated fees apply), \$8 for drop in session. For more information, call Mel Harte, at 848-5289 before 9 p.m.

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# Researcher leads effort to unlock secret of sudden oak death

**By Mike Taugher**  
STAFF WRITER

Put away your image of the dour scientist for a minute and meet Matteo Garbelotto, a mushroom expert rapidly deciphering the mysteries behind thousands of California tree deaths.

Forgive the fact he's an hour late for an interview. As soon as he steps off the elevator, the gregarious young Berkeley scientist is stopped by a trio of colleagues eager to know the latest about his wide-ranging and fast-moving research.

And it is obvious that this happens all the time.

"Don't hate me," he says, laughing in a way that seems to say, cheerfully and without apology: Life is really crazy right now.

There are the upcoming talks at Stanford on sudden oak death and in Oslo, Norway, on new fungi hybrids that are causing forest disease.

There's the constant ringing of his ever-present cell phone and the guys downstairs who want Garbelotto to look at a cross-section of a dead oak tree. What killed it?

And, of course, there is the continuing work that focused all this attention on Garbelotto in the first place: DNA tests that have determined new plant hosts and new areas infected with the fungus that causes sudden oak death.

"I don't necessarily want all the visibility, being the junior person in the department," he says, unearthing from his cluttered desk a recent copy of USA Today that features a long front page story on sudden oak death and a photo of Garbelotto. "My life hasn't been easy, let's put it that way. Too much, too fast."

At 36 and sporting a "soul patch" tuft of light brown hair beneath his lower lip, Garbelotto says that despite his evident popularity, the attention and perhaps his assertive demeanor have rubbed some colleagues the wrong way.

"It's been difficult because there are hierarchies and pecking orders," he says. "I say, just because you've been here 40 years doesn't make it right."

Garbelotto has joined forces with David Rizzo, a UC Davis plant pathologist. The pair have used Garbelotto's DNA techniques and Rizzo's expertise in culturing forest pathogens to make leaps during the past 18 months in scientific understanding of sudden oak death.

Since Rizzo first isolated the microscopic pest that was killing oaks in Marin County in 2000, their list of discoveries has grown quite long. In addition to several species of oaks, bay laurel and huckleberry, they have found the disease also infects buckeyes, maples and manzanitas. They have found it as far south as Big Sur, in Solano County and on the

## BIOGRAPHY

- **NAME:** Matteo Garbelotto
- **AGE:** 36
- **OCCUPATION:** Forest pathology and mycology extension specialist
- **EMPLOYER:** UC Berkeley
- **RESIDENT OF:** San Francisco
- **IN THE NEWS:** A lead researcher on sudden oak death
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Berkeley campus.

Traditionally, efforts to slow the spread of new forest pests were hampered by the less exacting process of culturing microorganisms from samples that appeared to be infected. By using Garbelotto's DNA techniques, scientists and regulators in California can move more quickly and accurately to identify new hosts and new areas that are infected.

The race to solve sudden oak death's vexing mysteries has obliterated any time Garbelotto might have had to settle into his new digs on campus. More than a year after being hired at the university, the walls of his office are clean with fresh white paint. They are entirely bare.

Banker's boxes are stuffed with papers and pushed against the walls and one of two cheap metal bookshelves stands empty.

Downstairs in his laboratory, workers have draped plastic tarps from the ceiling for overhead work.

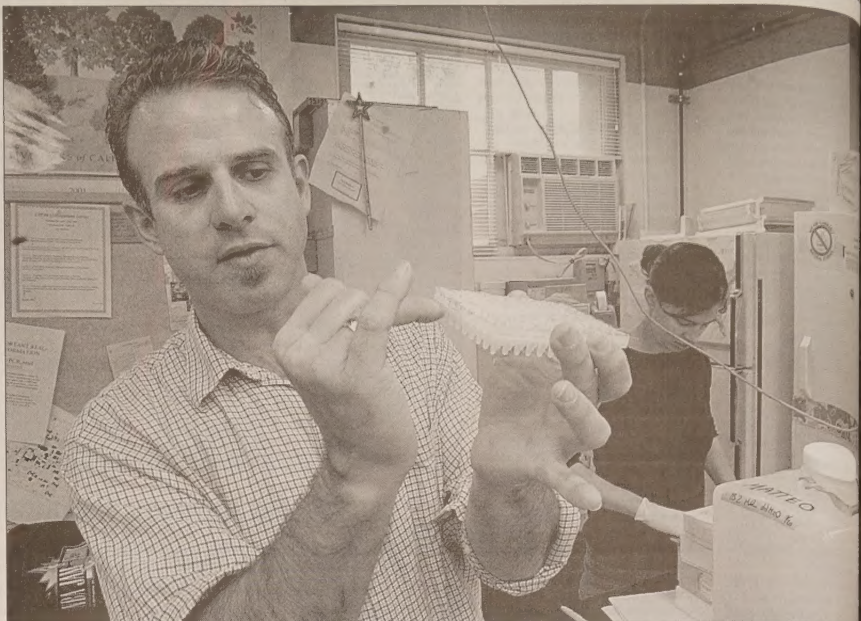
Here, the equipment is a mix of state-of-the-art and mundane. Computers that can decode DNA sit next to a salad spinner, which could have come from Target but which is used to help process DNA samples.

"It's really rewarding to be working on a project that is of such immediate impact," said Katy Hayden, one of a dozen research assistants, postdoctoral students and part-time student workers in Garbelotto's lab. "The lab environment is great. It's really dynamic. Matteo is a lot of fun."

Growing up in Italy, Garbelotto split his time between family residences in Venice and the Alps. His mother was an actress who later became a clothes designer; his father was a pharmaceutical chemist.

Garbelotto fondly remembers picking mushrooms in the Alps with his nanny as a child. He also developed an early affinity for opera, thanks to an older relative who made shoes for an opera company and regularly sneaked the young Garbelotto through a tunnel that came out next to the theater's orchestra pit.

"There were people who were paying \$300 a ticket, and there I was in my kid's clothes," he said.



**MATTEO GARBELOTTO** checks plants in Hilgard Hall last month at UC Berkeley. He and David Rizzo of UC Davis have made recent months in understanding sudden oak disease.

"I didn't care."

In Italy, Garbelotto received degrees in forestry and forest pathology from the University of Padua. But he found the field observation required in the study of trees a bit slow. He came to Berkeley in 1990 on a Fulbright scholarship and eventually shifted his focus away from trees and toward the microbes in the forest. Smaller organisms, he said, lend themselves more to faster-paced research and hands-on experiments.

In 1996, Garbelotto received his doctorate in plant pathology from Cal.

"I always had a passion for mushrooms," he says, explaining that in some cases, matsutake mushrooms can generate more money than redwood timber. His

logic is that it often makes more sense to harvest mushrooms than to cut down trees.

Today, Garbelotto lives in a century-old Victorian in San Francisco with his partner of 11 years. He holds season tickets to the opera and collects art, particularly Latin American and Italian paintings. He has plans to begin renovating a 600-year-old family house in Italy next fall.

But at work, there is much that scientists do not know about the new pest, a fungus-like microbe called *phytophthora ramorum*, which wasn't even known to science two years ago. How far will it spread? How many species of plants will ultimately be susceptible? How can it be stopped?

There are intriguing and troubling possibilities.

The scientists have found the pest's DNA in redwoods, but have yet to confirm that redwoods can actually contract the disease.

They have one sample from a maple in the Sierra Nevada that turned up positive for *phytophthora ramorum* DNA, test results scientists will try to confirm this spring. If these results are confirmed, then Garbelotto and Rizzo will begin additional tests to determine if the disease has actually infected trees in the Sierra foothills.

If all the attention focused on

the work of Garbelotto gets to be a bit much, Garbelotto says at least he is paying attention to environmental problems, he says, all this attention will benefit society toward betterment of forests.

"My personal challenge is to make the most of this," Garbelotto says, "for the sake of the cause."

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## Middle School

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## Elementary

Spring Music Area Festival RESCHEDULED, 7 p.m. in the Portola Middle School Gym, advanced bands from all Area 1 (elementary through high) schools will be performing.

May 14, PTSA meeting, 7:30 p.m. in room 812.  
May 21, School Site Council meeting 4 p.m. in the Library.  
May 23 & 24 Dance Production, 8 p.m. in the Little Theater. Admission at the door.

## Portola Middle School

May 14, Spring Music Area Festival, 7 p.m. in the Gym advanced bands from all Area 1 (elementary through high) schools will be performing.  
May 28, PTSA meeting 7:15 p.m. in the library.

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## WCCUSD Board

May 15, Regular school board meeting, 7 p.m. at Kennedy High School  
May 20, Board study session on Measure M, 7 p.m. at Vista Hills Staff Development Center. Parents are encouraged to attend meetings to become informed and voice their opinions.  
Note: Beginning June 5, regularly scheduled Board of Education meetings are at Pinole Valley High School.

## WCCUSD Calendar

May 27, Memorial Day Holiday: no school  
June 14, Last Day of School: noon dismissal

# ALBANY PTA NEWS

## Albany PTA Council

May 15, Albany Adult School Big Band Concert, 7:30 p.m., AHS Multi-Purpose Room, FREE, for more information call 510-524-9530

## Albany High School

Interested parents may receive the daily bulletin and important announcements by e-mail. Contact Molly Mitchell at [mmm1123@aol.com](mailto:mmm1123@aol.com)  
May 13, Site Council Meeting, 6 p.m., Prin. Conf Room  
May 13, Band Boosters Meeting, 7 p.m., AHS Band Room  
May 18, Spring Instrumental Concert, 7:30 p.m., AHS Little Theater  
May 22, Spring Choir Concert, 7:30 p.m., AHS Little Theater  
Scrip Orders: Call Edna Shipley at 510-527-0745 or e-mail Edna at [Edna-naming@aol.com](mailto:Edna-naming@aol.com)

## Albany Middle School

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May 16, Open House, 7-8 p.m. May 23, Site Council Meeting, 4 p.m., AMS Library  
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## Cornell Elementary School

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May 15, PTA Meeting, 7 p.m., Cornell Multi-Purpose Room  
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## Marin Elementary School

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May 16, PTA Meeting, 7 p.m., Marin Staff Room  
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## Ocean View Elementary School

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May 23, PTA Meeting, 7 p.m., Ocean View Library  
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## AUSD Board of Education

May 14, Regular Meeting, 7:30 p.m., Cornell Multi-Purpose Room

## AUSD Calendar

May 27, Memorial Day, NO SCHOOL  
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# Postal carriers gear up for food drive

Postal Service employees in the Area are preparing to be in the nation on Saturday the public can be getting off canned goods from offices.

United States are participating, Postal Service spokesman Horace Hinshaw says.

Last year the food drive collected 70.1 million pounds of food from families along postal routes, making a grand total of 462.4 million pounds collected since the drive began in 1992, Hinshaw says.

The Postal Service sent out a million postcards featuring a

"Family Circus" cartoon announcing the food drive. Postal customers are asked to leave non-perishable food items near their mailbox before their letter carrier arrives on Saturday. All the donations will remain within the community in which they were given, and will be distributed to needy families through local food banks.

## El Cerrito

El Cerrito police detective Robert Pierson. Pierson is one of the most experienced in the city because he is no neighborhood cop and plenty of experience in the field.

This year, El Cerrito responded to 23 robberies were on the path, and Pierson was responsible for the arrests, garage and station had little information attacks because they jurisdiction of El Cerrito.

El Cerrito police were at the station during Walker's arrest and did not know he had been beaten until he

stumbled over to the substation, police said.

"Mass transit needs to be safe so people don't feel they are risking their lives," Walker said. "The community should be aware of the danger."

Walker shared his concerns with city officials at the council meeting Monday.

He said, to him, BART will

probably never be the same. He used to enjoy listening to the trains go by from inside his home. Now, fear washes over him at the sound.

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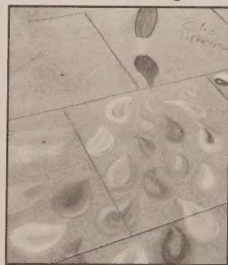
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Section B

**Weekly Home Sales** Maintain your focus on the East Bay real estate scene [B5]

**Open Home Guide** See what's on sale in your neighborhood [B17]

## This week's featured homes



COLLEGE AVE., BERKELEY \$629,000

RED OAK REALTY  
This Craftsman-style home at College Ave. in Berkeley has been in the Martel family since they moved it shortly before it was built in 1910. The home's designer and builder, John Mohr, designed several buildings and homes around the city. Mohr was known for his work designs like the ones that were on the porch and upper level of the house. The home was owned by John and Lester Martel for two daughters, Carol and Erika, in the house. Carol, the last of the family to live in the house, she lived here until 2000. The house remained virtually unchanged by modernization; it was preserved in respecting the style of the architecture. A pianist, a skater, and an actor, Carol lived in Berkeley her life.

The home's original stained glass, the woodwork — both inside and out — and the wood paneling are all beautifully intact. The living room still boasts the original electric and gas fixtures. In the backyard stand two enormous redwood trees.

Last year, ABC and Touchstone Television wanted to view the inside of the home for a TV pilot they would be filming in the Bay Area.

On March 26, 2001, TV film crews and trailers filled College Avenue around the home.

Although the pilot never aired because of its quickly outdated dot-com references, people are always stopping and asking about the show and the house.

To learn more about this home, offered at \$629,000, call Red Oak Realty's Katie Dain at 510-280-2121.

The home will be open this Sunday and next from 2 to 5 p.m.



18 ALVARADO ROAD., BERKELEY \$2,200,000

THE GRUBB CO  
Architect H. Ratcliff, Jr. was born in England in the late 1880s. He grew up in Berkeley and later opened an architectural office there. His style reflected both the Craftsman influence of the early 20th century as well as architectural influences from Europe, particularly England.

Ratcliff designed the home at 18 Alvarado Rd., —just off Tunnel Road — in Berkeley in 1910 and built it in 1912.

In this stately English Tudor-style home, Ratcliff used first-growth redwood to create rich warm interior spaces and a feeling of great solidity.

The living and dining rooms, each with a distinctive fireplace, radiate from a grand central redwood-paneled hall. The hall has a carved staircase rising against a bank of windows overlooking the rear garden. Ratcliff repeats this open hallway theme on the second floor by connecting all the upstairs rooms.

Abundant use of windows throughout creates sun-drenched spaces and affords serene views of the lushly planted gardens, as well as a peek of the San Francisco Bay.

The current owners purchased the home in 1993 and undertook an extensive, sensitive restoration of this architectural beauty with architect Barbara Chambers of Chambers + Chambers in Mill Valley.

In addition to updating all the systems, baths, and relandscaping the extensive gardens, the owners and their architect collaborated on a dazzling state-of-the-



6023 SKYLINE BLVD., OAKLAND \$1,725,000

THE GRUBB CO  
Explore this emerging area in the Oakland hills just at the top of Broadway Terrace on Skyline Boulevard. The serene neighborhood is composed of elegant homes with sweeping bay views.

The graceful Mediterranean at 6023 Skyline Blvd. by builder Scott Cameron has lovely windows that highlight bay views from most rooms. The floor plan includes a

cook's kitchen that opens to a family room with a fireplace, and is level out to the sunny garden. There is a den, library and a wine room. The lower space could be used as a media room and a home office with a separate entrance.

The home has four-plus bedrooms and three bathrooms. Offered at \$1,750,000. For more information call Erika Celestre at 510-339-0400 ext. 252.

art kitchen and butler's pantry, which manages to be modern while retaining the home's Old World character.

The kitchen features bird's eye maple cabinetry, Italian stone counters and tumbled marble floors that have a centuries old look.

The home features four bedrooms, three and one half baths, an upstairs study with deck overlooking the garden, and a library/sunroom off the living room.

Abundant use of windows

throughout creates sun-drenched spaces and affords serene views of the lushly planted gardens, as well as a peek of the San Francisco Bay.

The home has a petite art studio at the rear of the garage as well as a wine cellar.

This beautiful property is being offered beginning next Thursday, May 16.

Faye Keogh of the Grubb Company is handling the sale and may be reached at 510-339-0400 ext. 326.

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Berkeley \$445,000  
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North Berkeley \$745,000  
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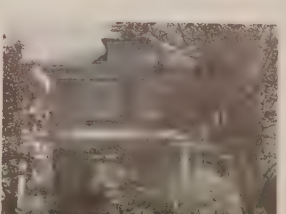
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# Waiting to hear offers?

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A seller's decision about hearing offers should be based on current market conditions. There are several options. One possibility is to listen to offers as they are written. This means you're ready to hear an offer anytime after your home hits the market.

Another option is to wait awhile before hearing offers, and establish a preset date and time for offer presentations. Or, you might prefer to hear offers anytime after a certain date, with no set schedule for presentations.

Why wait to hear offers? By waiting until the property has received significant market exposure, you may be able to sell for a higher price and for better terms.

**HOME SELLER TIP:** In a low inventory, high demand market, playing the waiting game can really pay off. Recently, the sellers of a home in Oakland received 17 offers by waiting through a broker open

house, two Sunday open houses and dozens of showings over a week and a half time period. Then their house sold for more than \$100,000 over the list price.

For this strategy to be effective, the property must be priced competitively. An over-priced property won't elicit multiple offers no matter how long the seller waits. In fact, waiting to hear offers when a listing is overpriced can work against you.

When buyers are told that the sellers are waiting to hear offers, they assume that the sellers expect more than one offer. If the listing is priced too high, buyers tend to back away because they won't pay more for an over-priced listing. Sellers who end up with no offers after waiting awhile may need to lower the price to renew interest in the property.

The waiting strategy can actually sabotage your marketing effort in a soft, buyer's market. With a large inventory of listing to choose from, buyers are in the driver's seat. There will be plenty of listings they can buy without having to wait. Waiting to hear offers can also be off-putting in a balanced market.

Sellers who plan to use the waiting strategy should let agents and prospective buyers know this before offers are written. An enthusiastic buyer could turn into a disgruntled buyer if he's told after the offer is written that it can't be presented for a week or so.

Some sellers find it impossible



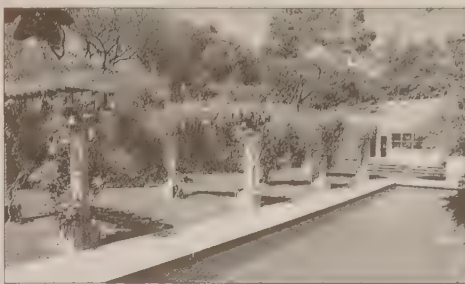
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to list at a competitive price. A competitive price is one that's at the low end of the expected selling price range. The fear is that by pricing competitively, they might sell too low. In a low-inventory, competitive market, you won't sell too low as long as you adequately expose your property to the market before hearing offers.

Sellers who choose to list competitively in a seller's market often prefer to wait until after the initial marketing effort before hearing offers. If you don't want to set a specific date for offers, you might plan to hear offers anytime after the broker's and public open houses.

**THE CLOSING:** This strategy is less threatening to buyers who are intimidated by a date certain for offers. It lets the sellers get the news out about their new listing while not intentionally pitting buyers against one another in a bidding war.

Dian Hymer is author of "House Hunting, the Take-Along Workbook for Home Buyers", and "Starting Out, the Complete Home Buyer's Guide," Chronicle Books. She is a top-producing broker associate with Coldwell Banker in the Oakland/Piedmont office. She can be reached at 510-339-4777.



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## Second residence an added feature to this grand Moraga property

BY LINNEA SMITH JESSUP  
CORRESPONDENT

Past the winding Moraga Road, and Camino Pablo in Moraga is the gated community of Sanders Ranch. Set on rolling land with walkways, the neighborhood is crowned at the back with an enclave of large custom homes, each on large lots and made more private by extensive landscaping and trees.

One of these homes, the estate at the juncture of Merrill Circle Drive and Merrill Circle, was built in 1990 and is a mix of traditional features and unusual appointments, including murals with whimsical touches, ceilings faux painted with clouds, dramatic skylights and a sophisticated home manager system.

There are actually two structures at 21 Merrill Circle South. The two-story grand estate has over 5,000 square feet including a huge family room which flows into the informal dining area and kitchen, all brightened by a wall of windows facing the back yard.

A second structure at the back of the yard, which totals nearly 1,900 square feet, has two small apartments on the lower level, out of sight of the back yard, and a large main floor great room with deck, kitchen and full bath. With lots of windows and glass doors that can be opened wide, it makes a great party spot or recreation area with plenty of space for table games, entertainment systems and several sitting areas. Its deck area includes a hot tub.

The main home is reached via a flagstone walkway which leads to a red Dutch door, a charming entry which is dominated by a semi-circular staircase topped by a brass chandelier. Wainscot,

banisters and French doors all lend their air of dignity, and the library off the main entry hall has extensive bookshelves and beams set into the ceiling, plus light wood floors. A full bath is attached to this room which also has alcoves for art.

One of the most unusual and wonderful rooms in the home is a large project room which overlooks the back yard and gets additional light from a large skylight. Designed to accommodate a variety of projects, it has extensive cabinets and shelves, countertops and even a pull-out table, but there's still abundant space for traditional den pastimes such as watching television, reading or playing games.

The current decor in the huge family room/eating area, just a few steps down the hall from the project room, is a cheerful combination of blue, yellow and white, with a bold tile pattern surrounding the fireplace, wood floors, several skylights and a series of windows on doors that open to the wood deck in the back yard. An angled ceiling is defined with large beams and there's a built-in desk area between this space and the open kitchen. Long lines of built-in cabinets in the eating area complement the kitchen, which has blue and white wallpaper and an island with dining space and a sink.

The formal dining room and the formal living room, which both adjoin the entryway, have long draperies, and wide moldings, a fireplace and the living room has a green marble surround.

Upstairs are a master suite and two additional bedrooms, each colorfully decorated and sharing a bath. In one of these, a ladder leads to a loft area large

**THE BACKYARD LAP**  
21 Merrill Circle South in Moraga is framed on one side by waterfalls and on the other by a series of trellises

### VITAL STATISTICS

**What:** A traditional-style of cream and white stone, the gated community of Sanders Ranch at 21 Merrill Circle South in Moraga. **Size:** Main house is over 5,000 square feet; second structure on the property has over 1,900 square feet. **Bedrooms:** Four in the home. Adjoining project room two separate apartments with own bathroom. **Bathrooms:** Four in the home. **Price:** \$3,375,000. **Agent:** Linda Friedman, Associates Real Estate, 925-258-7114. **Open Sunday, 4 to 6 p.m.**

enough for play and sports. The fourth bedroom with bath is accessed by a short stair to the kitchen area and has outside access to the deck.

Features of the master suite include a sitting room with pink tile, a stepped-up ceiling, a lattice-work mural and a built-in closet, separate toilet and double sinks with floral tile splash surrounded by tile and brightened by tile. The master bedroom has access to a balcony.

The property includes a lawn area below the main house and a separate parking area for the second structure. The estate could be maintained as separate lots, each about 1/2 acre in size, notes the listing. The setting is quiet, elegant and private.

## Income property's tax shelter advantages

Investors buy income property for financial growth, equity accumulation and tax shelter. There are many ways to report a repair. Some repairs can be used as acceptable write-offs in the year of expense, and many repairs must be capitalized over the life of the investment. The I.R.S. sets guidelines for deduction and learning the variables can make the difference between immediate tax savings, and long savings over time.

### Repairs

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expected life of the investment. If a window is broken the cost or repair is an immediate deduction. Replacing all of the existing windows in a four-plex at a cost of \$14,000 or more may have to be deducted over the expected life of the window.

There are guidelines that the I.R.S. dictates, and your accountant should inform you as an investor how you should conduct any repair and how you should report it.

### Capitalized items

When you send out a roofer to do a roof patch job or repair, that is obviously a deduction for that tax year. If you buy a new 30-year fiberglass shingle fireproof roof that expense will have to be capitalized over the life of the roof. Some roofs like a tar and gravel roof are only guaranteed for 10 or 15 years. What is the Tax Law for writing off each of these roofs? Your accountant will advise



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you so make sure you know how the deduction will affect your tax shelter and over how many years.

One of the heavier costs of investing and an item that is capitalized over the life of the investment is the cost of buying the mortgage, or points. If you buy a \$500,000 four-plex and you pay 2 points on a loan amount of \$400,000 you will spend \$8,000. This will be capitalized until you exchange into the move-up investment, or you cash out. At that time it will affect your

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# Paint just makes everything better

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 friends in real estate  
 I was growing up, my  
 was always painting some-  
 rooms and furniture  
 and flawless and a brand-  
 color. Several times over the  
 when I was away visiting my  
 mother, my mom painted the  
 ceilings and furniture in the  
 room that my sister and brother  
 shared.  
 color that I remember was  
 sky blue. I still recall how  
 I was to come home to find  
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A good paint job is decidedly different than a poor one. The paint needs to cover well; there should not be drips on the floor or paint on the door handles or hinges, or on the window glass.

something to behold, a true joy for some long and good time.

I have painted, or hired others to paint, many rooms in many places I've lived, and I've been surprised all over again each time by the wonder of newly painted surfaces. Why, I do believe that the effect is as good, the result as rewarding for me, as even my garden is in full bloom.

A well-painted room doesn't have to be my own to give me such pleasure — any such room I happen to be in will do. In real estate, I see them all the time, a most happy situation. Better still, I am frequently on the scene when new paint is being applied.

I get to see what a room was like before and what it becomes. Sometimes I'm there when the color is being chosen, get to see sample

swatches put up before final selection is made.

Often it's the stager who chooses the color. Our staggers are very good with color, and it's good that they are because I am not.

I'm one of those people who knows what I like once it exists, but not good at imaging before. Someone told me once that color is so complicated that it is possible to get a Ph.D. in the subject. I believe it.

White paint, for instance, is not simply white. The variations — hues, tints, shades — are huge. I know this because I've seen and lived in rooms after they've been painted bright icicle White, for example, or softer, warm White. White. White. White.

Not long ago Anet and I were asked to prepare and then sell a house that had not had any new



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paint in many years. The interior walls sported a number of different patterned wallpapers and much red paint. I thought when I first saw the decor that the red walls especially must have looked quite lively and pretty when they were new. But they were now badly faded and full of dings. Hallways in the house were tunnel-like, made darker by wooden, hollow-core doors.

The whole house needed lighter colors and better lighting. The seller left it to the stager to do what she thought best and so, she considered and tried out colors, then chose a soft and pale buttery yellow for most walls and clean, bright white for most of the ceilings and trim. The hallway walls and doors were also to be white.

I could hardly wait to see the red and brown and various wallpapers covered over. Early on, at the beginning of the two weeks or so it took to complete the job, when only the base coat had been applied, the house already looked lighter, as if the structure actually weighed less. When the final coats were on, blemish-free and smooth, I was again amazed by how much paint can do.

And when brighter light was added and curtains, rugs and furniture brought in, and pictures hung, the house appeared youthful and free, jaunty even.

I tell you about this particular house simply because it was the

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#### Radiant Panes

The Alameda Museum presents the "Our Houses" lecture series for 2002. Prominent Bay Area authors and historians narrate the slide lectures. The museum is located on Alameda Avenue near Park Street in Alameda. The series is scheduled through June. Thursday, May 30 is the next lecture in the series. Alameda glass artist **Ken Matthias** is the presenter of "Radiant Panes: Alameda Windows from the Victorian Era to the Time of Arts & Crafts." Call 510-748-0796 for information. *Do it Yourself!*

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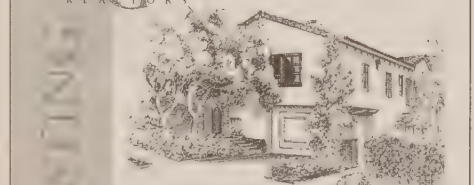
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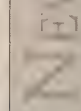
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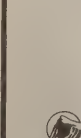


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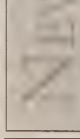


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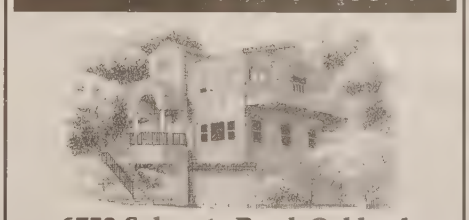


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# Lawton Associates opens new office

LAWTON ASSOCIATES REAL ESTATE BROKERAGE  
Lawton Associates Real Estate Brokerage partners Ron Kriss and Lou Lovotti have relocated their office to 3160 College Avenue in the Rockwood area on the Oakley and Berkeley border.  
After many years at their Telegraph Avenue location, the partners moved to 3160 College Avenue, Suite 201 right above Noah's Ark at the corner of Alcatraz and College Avenue.  
"The new office gives us more space and a convenient place to better serve our buyers and sellers," said Kriss.  
With the move to the new and expanded office, Lawton Associates is looking to expand their business of serving local home buyers and sellers. Additionally their staff

is knowledgeable in residential income, fixers, distressed properties, probates and development.  
Lawton Associates include Ron Kriss, Realtor and partner, Lou Lovotti, broker and partner, Mary Smartt, Realtor, Susie Lipps, Realtor and administrator and Sally McGarrahan, Realtor.  
"We would like to announce our newest members, Jeff Rosenbloom, Realtor and buyer specialist and Mike MacDonald, Realtor and rehab specialist," said Lovotti.  
"We all look forward to continued service to our clients in Oakland, Berkeley and Piedmont," said Kriss. The company's phone number remains the same at 510-547-5970. The brokerage welcomes clients and friends to stop by the grand opening, Thursday, May 16, from 4 to 6 p.m.

## Everingham joins Coldwell Banker

COLDWELL BANKER  
Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, Berkeley, is pleased to announce Bob Everingham as its new sales associate. He will be active in residential sales in Berkeley, Oakland and Piedmont. He is thrilled to have Bob Everingham join the team," said Kathy Carpi-Coldwell Banker Berkeley Brokerage. "His background and knowledge of the real estate industry is extensive."  
After joining Coldwell Banker, Everingham had his own real estate practice, Everingham Associates, for six years. Everingham

is an active member of the International Society of Hospitality Consultants.  
Everingham is a broker, and has been in the real estate industry in California, Hawaii and Asia for the last 20 years. He has developed multi-million dollar hotel projects, as well as single family residential and condominium developments.  
Everingham earned his bachelor's degree from UC Davis in landscape architecture and urban planning.  
You can reach Everingham at 510-486-1495.

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The seminar will be held from 9:30 to 11 a.m., Saturday, May 18 at 642 Hearst Ave. in Berkeley. Refreshments will be served. Reservations are required. Call 510-649-2674 to reserve your space.

## Kuchenthal

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On the next property, or lower price on sale for you will be the unused amount of funds that remain.  
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David Kuchenthal is an income property specialist with Security Pacific at Hilltop/Richmond: 510-682-8535, www.IncomeUnits.com.

## WEEKLY SALES

- ALAMEDA**  
1721 Arbor St - \$280,000  
153 Bannister Wy - \$421,000  
1628 Broadway - \$365,000  
1500 E. Alameda - \$245,000  
1124 Fontana Dr - \$309,500  
1414 Hoover Ct - \$370,000  
401 Ironwood Rd - \$385,000  
1211 Regent St - \$445,000  
836 Taylor Av - \$310,000  
306 Tideway Dr - \$470,000  
1425 Walnut St - \$410,000

- BERKELEY**  
1628 8th St - \$157,000  
1608 Allston Wy - \$560,000  
2225 Byron St - \$370,500  
777 Cragmont Av - \$587,000  
2923 Ellis St - \$306,000  
2818 San Pablo Av - \$305,000  
76 The Plaza Dr - \$925,000  
1920 Yosemite - \$1,764,000

- EL CERRITO**  
5909 Charles Av - \$450,000  
6348 Conlon Av - \$300,000  
1440 Navellier St - \$427,000  
1512 Norvell St - \$405,000  
7301 Pebble Beach - \$690,000  
7360 Rockway Av - \$447,000

- EL SOBRANTE**  
4500 Fieldcrest Dr - \$285,000  
590 La Paloma Rd - \$299,000  
5029 S.P. Dam#B - \$185,000  
6350 Tri Ln - \$395,000

- EMERYVILLE**  
4 Captain Dr #E30 - \$142,500  
6363 Christie 2024 - \$366,000

- KENSINGTON**  
2 Franciscan Wy - \$755,000  
69 Norwood Av - \$175,000

- OAKLAND**  
966 106th Av - \$200,000  
1227 107th Av - \$275,000  
1642 12th St - \$175,000  
669 28th St - \$120,000  
1571 33rd Av - \$260,000  
1934 38th Av - \$255,000  
422 41st St - \$670,000  
2016 42nd Av - \$319,000  
201 4th St #210 - \$399,000  
201 4th St #301 - \$328,000  
201 4th St #307 - \$302,000  
201 4th St #311 - \$415,000  
201 4th St #506 - \$435,000  
1434 51st Av - \$231,000  
2317 65th Av - \$226,000  
1086 70th Av - \$97,000  
2426 77th Av - \$270,000  
2632 8th Av - \$390,000  
330 8th St #3G - \$170,000  
10635 Acalanes - \$243,500  
1644 Auseon Av - \$284,000  
565 Bellevue #1706 - \$450,000  
389 Belmont #210 - \$310,000  
389 Belmont #405 - \$320,000  
354 Burlwood Av - \$190,000  
320 Caldecott #230 - \$335,000  
220 Caldecott #301 - \$405,000  
260 Caldecott #319 - \$285,000  
3100 California St - \$398,000  
5065 Cochran - \$1,300,000  
5479 Cole St - \$200,000  
18 Conrad Ct - \$521,000  
3549 Custer St - \$229,000  
3444 Dwight Wy - \$765,000  
2418 East 15th St - \$249,000

- 2406 East 16th St - \$275,000  
5803 East 17th St - \$105,000  
6427 Flora St - \$240,000  
2586 Foothill #D - \$160,000  
801 Franklin St - \$100,000  
2826 Frazier Av - \$240,000  
3001 Galindo St - \$237,000  
2900 Georgia St - \$296,000  
6153 Girvin Dr - \$990,000  
109 Hamilton Pl - \$315,000  
2222 Harrington - \$260,000  
3768 Harrison #308 - \$109,000  
74 Hazelwood Ct - \$215,000  
1271 Holman Rd - \$379,000  
5431 Locksley Av - \$511,500  
3743 Loma Vista - \$400,000  
1430 MacArthur - \$357,000  
85 Maiden Ln - \$500,000  
6317 Majestic Av - \$550,000  
3680 Malcolm Av - \$470,000  
5543 Masonic Av - \$735,000  
2900 Maxwell Av - \$350,000  
3532 Meadow St - \$200,000  
6335 Melville Dr - \$625,000  
100 Monte Cresta 123 - \$535,000  
240 Monte Vista Av - \$530,000  
4344 Mountain View \$601,000  
233 Orange #202 - \$540,000  
7523 Outlook Av - \$180,000  
7644 Outlook Av - \$140,000  
2960 Park Bl - \$275,000  
4715 Park Bl - \$990,500  
2519 Parker Av - \$180,000  
150 Pearl St #316 - \$122,000  
2442 Ransom Av - \$209,000  
8471 Skyline Bl - \$730,000  
587 Vernon St - \$425,000  
9239 Walnut St - \$80,000  
5025 Woodminster 104 - \$236,000

- PIEDMONT**  
102 Pacific Av - \$800,000

- RICHMOND**  
552 5th St - \$205,000  
22 7th St - \$195,000  
3016 Andrade Av - \$230,000  
1201 Brickyard 417 - \$390,000  
5234 Buckboard Wy - \$385,000  
20 Deep Water Ct - \$426,000  
548 Hayes St - \$241,000  
2027 Hellings Av - \$245,000  
1472 Mariposa St - \$225,000  
2819 Moyers Rd - \$300,000  
1759 Pennsylvania - \$130,000  
50 Promontory Dr - \$430,000  
1301 Quarry Ct #406 - \$525,000  
1445 San Joaquin St - \$280,000  
52 Sanford Av - \$209,000  
310 Santa Fe Av - \$225,000  
653 South 29th St - \$100,000  
911 South 46th St - \$236,000  
3889 S. Stonelegn - \$207,500  
5118 Tehama Av - \$199,000  
3637 West Ct - \$186,000

- SAN LEANDRO**  
1603 142nd Av - \$325,000  
1330 148th Av - \$345,000  
241 Accolade Dr - \$400,500  
1234 Ardmore - \$395,000  
15652 Atlantus Av - \$479,000  
1106 Begier Av - \$460,000  
85 Begier Av - \$399,000  
2023 Benedict Dr - \$400,000  
868 Billings Bl - \$315,000  
614 Black Pine Dr - \$365,000  
1677 Carpenter St - \$200,000  
1936 Dayton Av - \$355,000  
2487 Dundee Ct - \$325,000  
16537 Ehle St - \$235,000  
1862 Lawndale Av - \$380,000  
371 MacArthur Bl - \$265,000

- 731 Matoza Ln - \$488,000  
516 Monogram Rd - \$460,000  
1244 Ottawa Av - \$345,000  
2577 San Leandro Bl - \$240,000  
16391 Saratoga 306E - \$230,000  
16725 Selby Dr - \$392,000  
15107 Shining Star - \$625,000  
2351 Spinnaker Ct - \$570,000  
474 Superior Av - \$260,000  
494 Sybil Av - \$280,000  
231 Thornton St - \$243,000  
1926 Whelan Av - \$345,000

- SAN LORENZO**  
998 Bockman Rd - \$324,000  
15581 Sharon St - \$258,000  
938 Soto Dr - \$418,000  
1663 Via Amigos - \$375,000  
17464 Via Arnette - \$245,000  
1472 Via Hermana - \$338,000  
16084 Via Walter - \$355,000  
16159 Yale Av - \$290,000

- By the numbers**  
**ALAMEDA**  
TOTAL SALES: 11  
LOWEST PRICE: \$245,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$470,000  
MEDIAN PRICE: \$370,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$364,591

- BERKELEY**  
TOTAL SALES: 8  
LOWEST PRICE: \$157,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$1,764,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$621,813

- EL CERRITO**  
TOTAL SALES: 6  
LOWEST PRICE: \$300,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$690,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$453,167

- EL SOBRANTE**  
TOTAL SALES: 4  
LOWEST PRICE: \$185,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$395,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$291,000

- EMERYVILLE**  
TOTAL SALES: 2  
LOWEST PRICE: \$142,500  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$366,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$254,250

- KENSINGTON**  
TOTAL SALES: 2  
LOWEST PRICE: \$175,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$755,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$465,000

- OAKLAND**  
TOTAL SALES: 74  
LOWEST PRICE: \$ 80,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$1,300,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$356,682

- PIEDMONT**  
TOTAL SALES: 1  
PRICE: \$800,000

- RICHMOND**  
TOTAL SALES: 21  
LOWEST PRICE: \$100,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$525,000  
MEDIAN PRICE: \$230,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$265,214

- SAN LEANDRO**  
TOTAL SALES: 28  
LOWEST PRICE: \$200,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$625,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$361,482

- SAN LORENZO**  
TOTAL SALES: 8  
LOWEST PRICE: \$245,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$418,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$325,375

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## Can co-signer get out of mortgage obligation?

**Dear Bob:** About two years ago, my girlfriend and I bought a condo together. We are both on the title and on the mortgage. Last year we split up. I moved out. My ex-girlfriend still lives in the condo (with a new boyfriend). But she is constantly late with the mortgage payments. The result is my credit rating is now ruined, and I can't even get a credit card. What can I do to get out of this mortgage obligation? — Brian H.

**Dear Brian:** Unfortunately, there is no easy answer. I presume you've asked your ex-girlfriend to refinance to take your name off the mortgage and that she refuses to do so.

However, her credit is probably as bad as yours, so she can't easily refinance.

That leaves the obvious solution of selling the condo. If she refuses to agree to a voluntary sale, since your name is still on the title, with the advice of your attorney you could force a sale in a "partition lawsuit."

That means the judge can order the condo sold with the sales proceeds divided between you and your ex-girlfriend. Your situation shows the risks of buying real estate with an unreliable co-owner.

### Don't pay loan fee when refinancing home loan

**Dear Bob:** I recently received a letter from a local mortgage broker about the benefits of refinancing my home loan with a seven-year fixed adjustable rate mortgage. My interest rate will be 5.5 percent for the next seven years. That sounds much better than the 7.25 percent I am now paying on a fixed rate mortgage. But the catch is he wants a two-point loan fee. That seems high to me. What do you advise? — Ruthie G.

**Dear Ruthie:** Shop around to compare mortgage refinancing offerings of other local mortgage

My ex-girlfriend still lives in our old condo (with a new boyfriend). But she is constantly late with the mortgage payments. The result is my credit rating is now ruined.

brokers, direct lenders and mortgage bankers. I think you can do better.

If you take an adjustable rate mortgage, be sure to ask a lot of questions, such as (1) can there be any negative amortization (that refers to when the interest rate goes up but your payment remains fixed and unpaid interest is added to the principal balance), (2) what is the history of the index being offered, and (3) what is the APR (annual percentage rate)?

That two-point loan fee is very high. Because it is not a home acquisition mortgage, any loan fee you pay to refinance can only be deducted over the life of the mortgage. A loan origination fee, such as that two-point fee, is really prepaid mortgage interest. You would probably be better off paying a slightly higher interest rate but no loan fee.

More important, if you plan to stay in your home longer than seven years, what will you do when that adjustable rate mortgage goes to the then-current market interest rate?

### Home loan need not be in your name to deduct interest

**Dear Bob:** Two years ago, my father and I bought a house together as joint tenants. He lived there until he died in early 2001. We both signed on the mortgage papers. But the mortgage company put his Social Security number on the IRS 1099 form. Can I deduct the mortgage interest on the loan I have been paying since he died? — Lynn R.

**Dear Lynn:** Yes, because you are legally obligated to make the

mortgage payments. If you fail to make the payments, you risk losing the house by foreclosure.

It doesn't matter whose Social Security number is on the 1099 form. If you actually made the payments and are an owner of the property, you are entitled to deduct the mortgage interest and property taxes on your income tax returns. For more details, please consult your tax adviser.

### What if mortgage lender refuses to pay taxes from escrow account?

**Dear Bob:** I noticed you recently had several letters about mortgage companies who failed to pay the property taxes on time from the borrower's escrow account. That was my problem. My mortgage had been transferred three times, so my escrow impound account for insurance and property taxes was all messed up.

I received several notices from the local tax collector stating my taxes weren't paid. Every time I phoned my mortgage company, they said, "We're investigating." This went on over six months, and my credit report showed the unpaid property taxes.

Only after I sued my mortgage company in small claims court for the unpaid property taxes did I get results. They quickly straightened the mess out, apologized and corrected my credit report with all three major credit bureaus so I could dismiss the court action. Maybe this will help other borrowers who have trouble with their nasty loan servicers. — Gracie S.

**Dear Gracie:** Thank you for sharing that valuable information. Filing a small claims court action can work wonders to shape up uncooperative mortgage lenders.

### Can listing be canceled without owing sales fee?

**Dear Bob:** Can I cancel my six-month listing so I can sell my home without owing any sales fee? I signed a listing with a flat fee of 1.2 percent. My listing was not put into the local multiple listing service (MLS), so other agents didn't know my house was for sale. After 30 days, I want to cancel because I had no contact from my agent for three weeks, potential buyers saw the sign and knocked at my door, a buyer's broker submitted a purchase offer that my listing agent had not even read, and my listing agent never followed up on my counteroffer to the buyer. I have not heard from my listing agent since then. Can I



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cancel my listing? — Gil F.

**Dear Gil:** Why would you foolishly sign a long six-month listing, for a low 1.2 percent flat fee, if your listing isn't even going into the local MLS? The MLS is the most powerful sales tool realty agents have. The type of listing you describe, with a low commission and no MLS exposure, provides no incentive for another agent to bring a buyer to purchase your home.

Realty listings can only be canceled, without penalty, when the listing agent fails to use "due diligence." From your description, the listing agent seems to have done little or nothing to get your home sold. For more details, please consult a local real estate attorney.

### What is "stepped-up basis"?

**Dear Bob:** Several times, when referring to inherited property, you have used the term "stepped-up basis." Would that apply where my sister and I inherited our late uncle's house? We inherited it about two years ago.

It has been rented since then by a family friend who will soon be moving to an assisted living home. My sister and I have agreed to sell the house after he moves out. Will we owe any capital gain tax? — Angie T.

**Dear Angie:** When real property is received as an inheritance, the heirs receive a new cost basis at the market value on the date of the decedent's death. In your situation, that means you and your sister have a stepped-up basis of the house's fair market value on the day your uncle died (or alternate valuation date used by his estate).

To illustrate, suppose the house was worth \$200,000 when your uncle died. That is your stepped-up basis. Let's imagine the house sells for a net price, after paying sales expenses, of \$225,000.

You and your sister will therefore have a \$25,000 capital gain (\$12,500 each if you are equal owners). For more details, please consult your tax adviser.

The new Robert Bruss special report "How to Avoid Getting Ripped-off When Buying Your Next House or Condo" is available for \$4 from Robert Bruss, 251 Park Rd., Burlingame, CA 94010 or by credit card at 800-736-1736 or [www.bobbruss.com](http://www.bobbruss.com). Questions for this column may be mailed to the above address or e-mailed to [robertjbruss@aol.com](mailto:robertjbruss@aol.com).

## Lois' real estate him

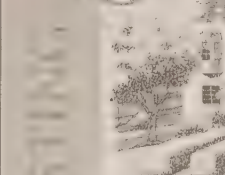


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## Tarpoiff

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most recent redo I witnessed and enjoyed. What happened at that house was not unique, the effect no greater than in many other rooms in other houses we've seen. The miracle of the paint can happen pretty much anywhere.

At another house we marketed, we decided not to paint but just to clean, and cleaning was sorely needed. Hours and hours, days of cleaning and scrubbing revealed decent paint under the dirt.

While there were chips and scrapes that remained, the paint that had been applied some 40 or 50 years earlier cleaned up unexpectedly well. This was probably due to the fact that it was lead based paint, outlawed in 1978.

While it's no doubt a good thing to prevent people from possible lead poisoning, that old lead-laden paint was vastly superior to today's

paints. It had staying power, true durability, would wash up well, almost forever. It was, I'm told, the lead content that made for exterior paint jobs, too, that lasted for 10 or more years.

These days we're lucky to have exterior paint looking OK for 5 years. Too bad there doesn't seem to be a substitute for lead in paint. But even with lesser paint products, there is nothing to compare with the looks of new, well applied paint in good colors.

No, I take it back. Not even fresh paint can exceed clean. Walls, spaces, rooms, houses in toto that are clean are the best. Clean is the ultimate. Of course, when new paint is applied, clean comes with it.

Anet Tarpoiff and Pat Talbert are licensed real estate agents who specialize in single family houses. They also offer hourly real estate consulting and coaching. They can be reached by e-mail at [patanet@ml.net](mailto:patanet@ml.net) or by phone at 510-653-2050.

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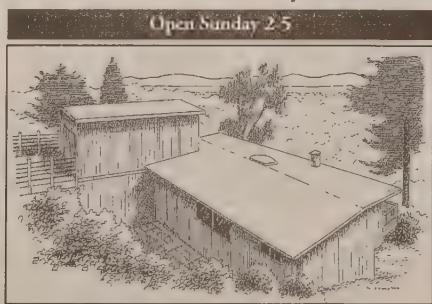
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# WANTED COMMERCIAL BROKERS

Bob Valva of Valva Realty invites Oakland real estate brokers to attend the Oakland Realtors Commercial & Industrial Brokers Committee. According to Valva the group was approximately 10 years ago, by the Oakland Realtors Association to facilitate city sales and leasing. The committee's purpose is to help build Oakland. The meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month. If you would like to attend call Valva at 510-451-7137.

# EDUCATION AT OAR

Time to renew! Earn all 45 hours continuing education in only one day with the Oakland Association of Realtors. The seminar from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Friday, May 17, at the OAR Building, on Webster Street in Oakland. Topics include Ethics, Agency, Fair Housing and Trust Funds, with legal and continuing updates. Tuition includes study materials.

"Innovative Marketing Techniques for Buyer's Reps" is scheduled for Friday, June 14. Learn the marketing techniques of the experts, how to generate leads and attract prospects. This seminar offers 4 hours of Consumer Protection education. Watch this column for more details.

The Accredited Buyer Representative (ABR) Basic Designation course is coming to OAR. Earn this designation in a two day seminar scheduled on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 25 and 26. Tuition includes the first year dues for membership in REBAC. More details to come.

Tuition and attendance information for all OAR educational programs should be addressed to: Williams of the OAR office at 510-893-3000.

# WCR NETWORK BREAKFAST

The Associated Real Property Brokers (ARPB) holds a networking breakfast on the third Wednesday every month. This month's breakfast is from 8 to 10 a.m., Wednesday, May 15. The Oak Tree Grille in Emeryville is the location. Real estate agents are encouraged to bring flyers and market their properties. The meeting is a free forum. For more information call Wynne Casey of Fidelity National Title at 510-893-8100.

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kers members should mark this dates on their calendars. May 27 is the Annual Golf Tournament. To find out more visit the Web site at www.ARPB.org.

# BAR NETWORKING LUNCHEON

Attend the Berkeley Association of Realtors monthly networking luncheon. The next luncheon begins at 12:15 p.m., Wednesday, May 15. The Luncheon is held at the BAR Auditorium. Reservations are a must. Contact Don Clark at the BAR office for information and reservations at 510-848-4288.

# TOUR DAY BREAKFAST

Totally new! This is not a revival of the old Marketing Meeting. Oakland Realtors are invited to join Oakland affiliates at the Tour Day Breakfast. The breakfast is at 8:45, on Thursday, May 23, at the OAR Building. Bring marketing flyers and an appetite. Be a winner of one of many raffle prizes. Network more - sell more. For questions and parking information call Ingrid Westgard of North American Title at 510-339-2380 or Aldees Jerome of Fidelity National Title at 510-339-9800.

# WCR LUNCHEON

The Women's Council of Realtors East Bay Chapter monthly meeting date is Friday, May 10. The guest speaker is Michael Yesk. His topic is 1031 Tax Exchange. The meeting begins with networking at 11:30. The location is the Ark at Pier 29 on 29th Avenue in Oakland (at the foot of the park Street Bridge). For reservations call WCR President, George Johnson of Ameristar Financial at 925-314-8314.

# "e-BUYER" COURSE

An elective course is being offered by the Real Estate Buyer's Agency Council of the National Association of Realtors. The course called "e-Buyer" is designed to help take the next step after mastering computer and internet basics. REBAC is the awarding body for the ABR (Accredited Buyer's Representative) and ABRM (Accredited Buyer's Representative Manager).

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# LICENSE RENEWAL

Renew your real estate license. Attend and earn all 45 DRE credit hours at once. The seminar includes Agency, Ethics, Trust Funds and Fair Housing. The instructor will be "The Real Estate Guys" talk show host, Charlie Krackeler. Seminars are held on weekday mornings, in a variety of Bay area locations. For more information about attending to renew your license call 1-800-54-RENEW.

# ATTENTION MORTGAGE INDUSTRY

**Golf With CARL**  
Billed as the "Best Tournament In Town". The California Association of Residential Lenders announced it's sign up time for the 15th Annual East Bay CARL Golf Tournament. The fun begins at 8:00 a.m., Monday, June 17. This event is open to Lenders, real estate agents and real estate related professionals. This is a sell-out event. For reservations call Frank Monaco, Jr. of Consumer Home Loans at 925-833-9066.

# Breakfast Club

Join the lively Wednesday Morning Breakfast Meetings, presented by the California Association of Residential Lenders (CARL). Meetings are held every Wednesday at American Title in Walnut Creek on Olympic boulevard. Start time is at 8:15 a.m. sharp. Breakfast refreshments are served.

Need info? Want to recommend a speaker? Call Pat Johnson of TRI Commercial Real Estate Services at 925-296-3300.

# WHO'S ON FIRST?

Bobbie Reid, your real estate information connection has a new e-mail address. I love hearing from all of you, whether by phone, fax or e-mail. Your input is what this column is about. Please add my contact info, listed under "What's Up Doc?" to your data base or address book. Keep your information coming and thanks.

Ira Serkes of RE/Max Bay Area is invited to speak at the Opening Session for the CAR Annual Convention in October. Serkes is the co-author of Nolo Press' "How To Buy A House In California". You can reach Serkes toll free at 800-887-6668.

Someone new at your company? Something special your company is doing? Changing locations? Putting on a seminar? Let me know. I'd love to let the world know. All my contact info is listed below.

# WHAT'S UP DOC??

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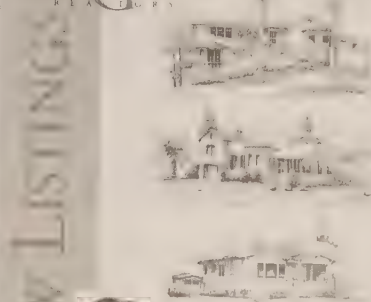


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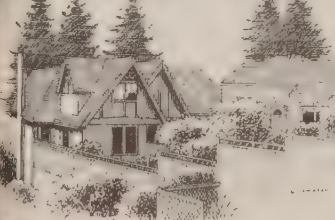
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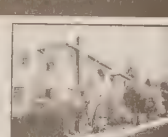
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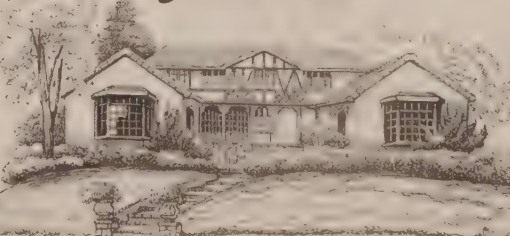
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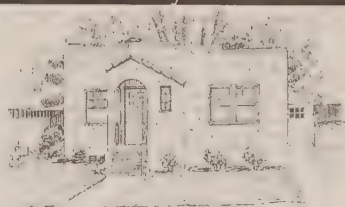
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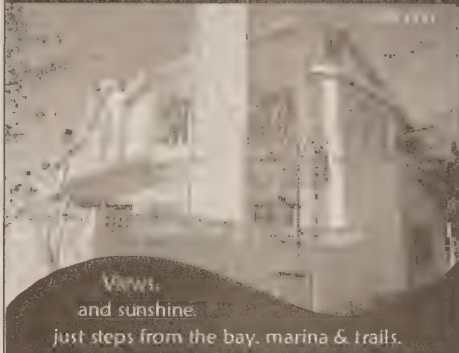
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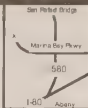
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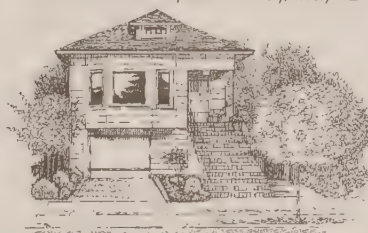


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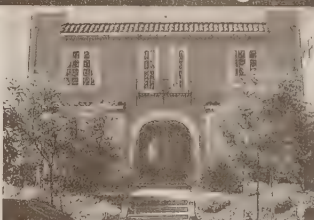


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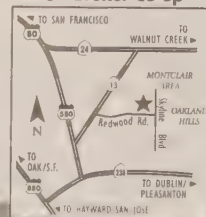
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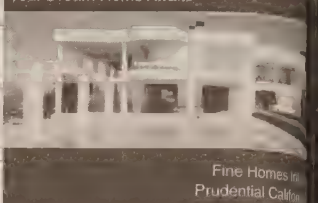
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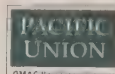
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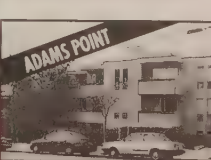
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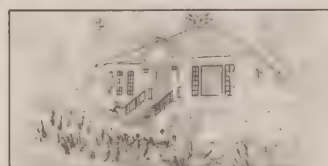
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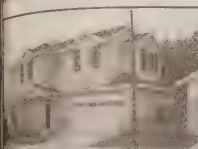
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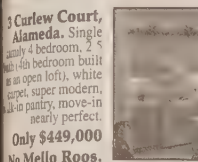
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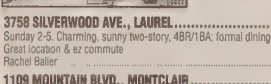
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## FIRST OPEN

**406 EL CERRITO, PIEDMONT.....\$619,000**

Sunday 2-5. Charming, sunny two-story, 4BR/1BA, two-story Brown Shingle on nearly 1/4 acre in original condition; newer foundation & roof, bsmt, HWF, FDR, FP, deck, garage.

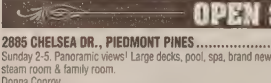
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**2115 Manzanita Dr., MONTCLAIR.....\$520,000**

Sunday 2-5. Charming 4BR/2.5BA w/large family room. Great floor plan. Fenced yard. Very spacious, on market 5/9.

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**3758 SILVERWOOD AVE., LAUREL.....\$449,000**

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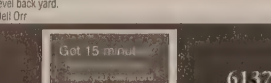
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**1109 MOUNTAIN BLVD., MONTCLAIR.....\$415,000**

Sunday 1-5. Romantic cottage in prime area. 1BR/2BA retreat on private, lush lot & hill views. Lots of nooks, large deck & hot tub - condo alternative.

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**1101 MOUNTAIN BLVD., MONTCLAIR.....\$349,000**

Sunday 1-5. Original Montclair cottage on secluded, lush lot. Private retreat yet close to shops. Great condo alternative.

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## OPEN SUNDAY

**2805 CHELSEA DR., PIEDMONT PINES.....\$799,000**

Sunday 2-5. Panoramic view! Large decks, pool, spa, brand new kitchen, 2BR/1BA. Downstairs features 1BR/1BA w/Jacuzzi tub, steam room & family room.

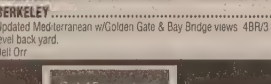
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**735-7 SAN CARLOS, ALBANY.....\$529,000**

Sunday 2-4. Home + income! Large 2BR home w/rental cottage on approx. 5,000 sq. ft. lot. Separate laundry area, refinished hardwood floors, enclosed patio.

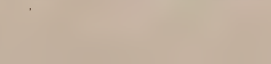
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**1348 NORTHSHORE, BERKELEY.....\$449,000**

Saturday 11-2. No. Berkeley duplex, 2+BR each w/EIK. Both units have a 2 car tandem garage. Yard. Great location.

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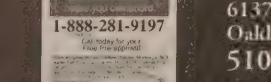
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50's contemporary in Upper Piedmont w/space & privacy. 4BR/3BA, library, rumpus & gym. Huge deck & garden. Great outdoor living spaces. Carolyn Jones



### 361 SAN CARLOS AVENUE \$1,175,000

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### 110 SOMERSET ROAD \$1,125,000

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### 510 BOULEVARD WAY

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### 239 PALM DRIVE

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## PIEDMONT - BY APPOINTMENT



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This home has it all...gracious formal rooms, classic details, traditional floor plan, city views, level out garden plus adjoining park. Mindy Scott

### MEDITERRANEAN \$1,860,000

Mediterranean showcase w/expansive gardens, European kitchen, sumptuous master retreat. The perfect place for a distinctive lifestyle. Sandra Vogl

### CLASSIC IN DESIGN \$1,750,000

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### RICARDO AVENUE

Craftsman detailing w/updated kitchen & bath, dining w/leaded glass. 2+BR/1+BA & level garden. Near park & transportation. Linda M...

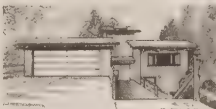
### SERENITY WITH BAY VIEWS

Enjoy the serene and tranquil location of this contemporary with 3BR/2BA, Bay views and a great location. Sheila G...

### CHARMING TRADITIONAL

This sunny 2BR traditional home with a garden and hill views is located in a convenient neighborhood. Sheila G...

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Early Edward Lewitch design. Rich contemporary. Spacious & exciting 3+BR/2.5BA in a gorgeous private setting w/captivating San Francisco view! Ruth Frassetto



### 1004 CRAGMONT AVE. \$685,000

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### BERKELEY COMPOUND \$2,495,000

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### 143 CALVERT COURT \$1,100,000

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### 83 CASTLE PARK WAY \$995,000

Charming Piedmont Pines Bay view home designed for today's contemporary life-style. Remodeled w/style. 3BR/2BA + sparkling pool & view deck. Steve Michaelides

### 5817 FLORENCE TERRACE \$589,000

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### 57 TERALYNN COURT

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### 3425 SUTER STREET

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### 245 PERKINS STREET #66

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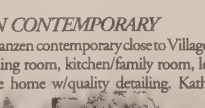
### 6536 LIGGETT DRIVE \$875,000

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### GRACIOUS TRADITIONAL

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### LEONA PARK VILLA

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1055 SAN RAMON VALLEY BLVD. TOWNHOUSE. 2 bedrooms, 1.5 remodeled baths, wood floors down and carpet up, fireplace in living room, formal dining area, plenty of closet space and a nicely fenced yard. \$277,000. Ruth Mason, 510-748-1101.

**RICHMOND**  
1362 E. 27th. NEW CHINATOWN AREA. 5 units plus 3 bedroom home on large lot. Waiting for a 1031 exchange. Needs TLC. \$825,000. Mary Ann Herber, 510-568-2040.

**FINOLE**  
OPEN SUNDAY 2-4. 287 CALAIS DR. IMMACULATE HOME ON LARGE LOT. 3 bedrooms, 2 remodeled baths. Remodeled kitchen with skylight. Easy walk to bay, schools, & shopping. \$312,500. Alice Garvin, 510-748-1116.

**FREMONT**  
OPEN SUNDAY 3-6. 39541 CANYON HEIGHTS DR. NEW LISTING IN KIMBER PARK. Desirable 1 level 3 bedroom, 2 bath home with family room. Freshly painted, new carpeting. Corner lot and Pool \$710,000. Raye Thleman, 510-748-1102.

**MARINA BAY.** 3 bedroom, 3 bath Tiburon model. Largest model at Bay Front. Dramatic vaulted ceilings, park views, sunny patio off kitchen. \$374,000. Michael Studebaker, 877-865-2279.

**65 SANDPOINT DR. BAY FRONT.** Best of Marina Bay living. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, peak of bay views, bright kitchen with eating area, Corian counter tops, nice redwood deck, cathedral ceilings, landscaped yard. Just steps from Bay Trails and Marina Parks. \$484,800. Michael Studebaker, 877-865-2279.

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**CLAREMONT HILLS \$2,395,000**  
1900 GRANDVIEW DR. (Open 2-4:30)  
Magnificent 3 year old home w/unbelievable panoramic SF views. Superb quality, traditional floor plan, 5BR/4.5BA, 3-car garage. Teri Carlisle x1305

**UPPER ROCKRIDGE \$2,149,000**  
1076 MARGARITO DR. (Open 2-4:30)  
Exquisite new custom built Mediterranean villa, 5BR/4.5BA, views, terraces, elevator, 4-car garage. Total quality & beauty. Bob & Carolyn Nelson x1345

**OAKLAND HILLS \$1,495,000**  
101 FAIRLANE DR. (Open 2-4:30)  
Exquisite new custom Mediterranean. 5BR/4.5BA, spacious formal rooms & Bay views. Large master suite, decks, yard. Bonnie Bickel x1337

**CLAREMONT \$1,425,000**  
101 ALVARADO RD. (Open 2-4:30)  
Great price for best Claremont location! Colonial built in 1993, 4BR/3BA, views & gorgeous terraced gardens. Montali x1350

**CLAREMONT \$1,395,000**  
101 CAMPUS DR. (Open 2-5)  
3-acre estate w/gated, private drive. 5BR/4.5BA, library, family room, rec room & more. Don't miss this opportunity to own your own park! Vicki Woodhead x1334

**CLAREMONT \$1,195,000**  
101 WILLOW AVE. (Open 2-4:30)  
Stunning English-style home w/sweeping views! 3+BR/4+BA, large yard. Upgrades throughout. Roselle Woods x1324

**CLAREMONT \$685,000**  
101 HILTON ST. (Open 2-4)  
Beautiful traditional 4BR/2BA plus 1/2 bath. Deck, hot tub, gardens. Near BART. Lesley Easterday x1363

**CLAREMONT \$679,000**  
101 OAKS WAY (Open 2-4:30)  
Bright & light 3BR/2.5BA contemporary w/absolutes SF Bay views. Spacious master suite w/fireplace & family room. Decks & yard w/fruit trees. Donna Bickel x1355

**CLAREMONT \$599,000**  
101 AVE. (Open 2-4:30)  
Beautifully renovated 1901 Victorian. Original details, stained glass & charming landscaped yard. Prime location near BART & restaurant. Bob & Carolyn Nelson x1345

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**OAKMORE \$585,000**  
1972 ROSECREST DR. (Open 2-4:30)  
Bright & spacious 3BR/2BA home w/large deck and brick patio. Located on quiet street. Francis Heath x1357

**CROCKER HIGHLANDS \$559,000**  
852 PALOMA AVE. (Open 2-4:30)  
Large landscaped yard, home office/study & lower level family room. Lovely Oakland vistas. Ann Nichols x1319

**MONTCLAIR \$529,000**  
7151 WOODROW DR. (Open 2-4)  
Very private setting on 3 lot parcel. Updated 2+BR/2BA home w/cherry wood kitchen, master suite, outdoor decking & hot tub. Chuck Corwin x1353



**GLENVIEW \$529,000**  
3918 GREENWOOD AVE. (Open 2-5)  
Bright & spacious 2+BR/1.5BA home w/beautifully remodeled kitchen, large formal dining & living room & "plus" room/office. Great for entertaining & relaxing! Joan Dark x1316

**TEMESCAL \$489,000**  
4412-14 WEBSTER ST. (Open 2-4:30)  
Spacious 2BR/1BA owner's unit w/wonderful craftsman details. Plus a sunny & bright 1BR/1BA unit. Garden, garage & excellent storage. Teri Carlisle x1305

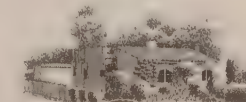
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**MONTCLAIR \$459,000**  
6445 HEATHER RIDGE (Open 2-4:30)  
New Listing! Charming & sophisticated Tom Lowe contemporary. Vaulted ceiling, hardwood floors, large deck. Sunny & private. 2BR/1BA. Michelle Vasey x1359



**PIEDMONT AVE. \$429,000**  
4413 MONTGOMERY ST. (Open 2-4:30)  
New Listing! Refurbished 1+BR/2BA home. Den w/stone fireplace & sliding glass doors to large garden. Oakland view from bedroom. Detached garage. Lee Jacobson x1309

**OAKLAND HILLS \$425,000**  
4531 DAVENPORT AVE. (Open 2-4:30)  
Charming 2+BR/1BA storybook Tudor w/panoramic SF/Bay views. Level yard. Wendy Sprague x1340

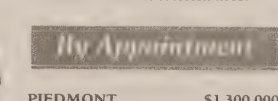


**LAUREL \$419,000**  
3243 WISCONSIN ST. (Open 2-4:30)  
New Listing! Charming Spanish Mediterranean w/all level floor plan. Distinct architectural details. Hardwood floors, formal dining. Private garden w/creekside setting. Diane Earl McCan x1352

**EL CERRITO \$399,000**  
1336 EVERETT ST. (Open 2-4:30)  
New Listing! Charming, light filled 2+BR/1BA, lovely walled gardens, quiet street. Beautifully updated by current owner. Leslie Avant x1341

### Open Sunday

**TEMESCAL \$399,000**  
3927-29 RUBY ST. (Open 2-4:30)  
Great opportunity for owner occupied or income property. Two 2BR/1BA light & cheerful units. Level back yard. Near BART & Piedmont Ave. Lee Jacobson x1309



**PIEDMONT \$1,300,000**  
New Listing! Spacious traditional in the heart of Piedmont. 5BR/5BA, sweeping bay views. Master suite w/fireplace & dressing room. Rumpus room w/fireplace & space galore. Debi Fitzgerald x1306



**RIDGEMONT \$729,000**  
4BR/2.5BA home on approx. one-third acre adjoining scenic Regional Park. Soaring ceilings, luxurious master, spacious kitchen & canyon & Bay vistas. Robyn Mohr x1310

**LAKE MERRITT \$649,000**  
\$100k price reduction! Dramatic luxury condominium w/bay & lake views. 2BR/2BA. Like living on a chic cloud w/all the amenities. Sandi Klemmer x1314 & Dick Cohen x1308

**MONTCLAIR \$619,000**  
Dramatic SF/GG/Canyon view. Close to Regional Park w/4BR/2BA including master suite w/beautiful views & separate den or sitting room. Updated kitchen/family room. Robyn Mohr x1310

**BERKELEY \$585,000**  
Stylish 2 yr. old home. Architectural beauty, artistic colors. Gourmet kitchen/family rm. Near 4th St. shops. 2BR/2BA. Sophisticated! Nancy Noman x1373

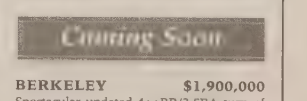
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**OAKLAND \$579,000**  
A majestic Queen Anne Victorian w/grand interior on beautifully landscaped lot. 4BR/1.5BA, grand foyer, parlor, gorgeous detailing. Minutes from Jack London Square & downtown Oakland. Joan E. Hause x1358

**MONTCLAIR \$479,000**  
Dramatic 4BR/2BA contemporary on secluded cul-de-sac. Bright & airy w/open beam cathedral ceilings. Hardwood floors, updated kitchen, 2-car garage & canyon vistas. Chuck Corwin x1353

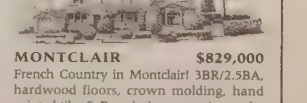


**ROCKRIDGE \$445,000**  
Distress sale. A 3+BR/3BA brown shingle in prime location. Wonderful original detail & best of all bargain priced. Fritz Hochtelner x1348



**BERKELEY \$1,900,000**  
Spectacular updated 4+BR/3.5BA turn of the century shingle in Claremont Court. Beautiful private mature gardens on over 1/3 acre. Lovely gracious public rooms. Leslie Avant x1341

**MONTCLAIR price upon request**  
Charming 2+BR/2BA Mediterranean bungalow. Family room, formal dining & lovely architectural details. 2-car garage. Donna Costella x1355

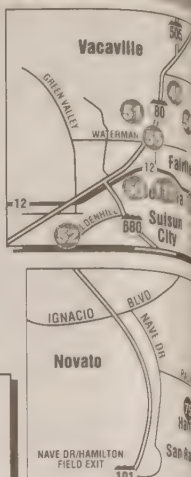


**MONTCLAIR \$829,000**  
French Country in Montclair! 3BR/2.5BA, hardwood floors, crown molding, hand painted tiles & French doors opening to the garden. Level patio & lawn, rose garden. Nancy Moore x1302

**CROCKER HIGHLANDS \$635,000**  
3BR/2BA home w/hardwood floors, formal dining, master suite & bright kitchen w/access to deck w/hot tub. Attached garage. Lee Jacobson x1309

**OAKMORE \$529,000**  
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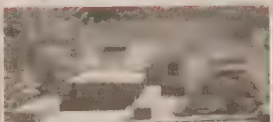
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**BEST VALUED PROPERTY \$625,000**  
Dramatic Upper Oakmore contemporary with view of San Francisco Bay. Approximately 2600 sq. ft. Room for everybody. Very private. Move-in condition.  
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Martha Shin 510-339-8400

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**RARE OPPORTUNITY \$599,000**  
On the Piedmont border. This cosmetic fixer is located on a prime street in Montclair. It is a surprisingly gracious and elegant home in need of polishing. Bring your imagination!  
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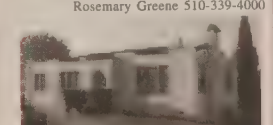


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First open! Offering 3 bedrooms, 2 baths in the heart of San Leandro, become an avid gardener on the 191 ft. deep lot! Master suite with sitting area, enclosed patio, modern kitchen. Wonderful updating throughout.  
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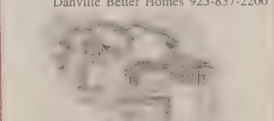
**READY AND WAITING \$285,000**  
Stylish Mediterranean in popular Maxwell Park with clear pest report (section 1) and new roof. Easy living with nice enclosed patio.  
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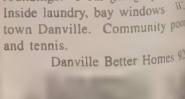
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# SPORTS

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Section C

**Inside** Lane suffers a fatal attraction in 'Unfaithful' [C3]

**Inside** East Bay and San Francisco movie guide [C4]



STEVE MASLANKA/STAFF

**RACE FOR THE BALL**, Bishop O'Dowd's Seth Kweller was a step ahead of Berkeley's Sam (11). Playing in Oakland on May 2, the Yellow Jackets fell to the Dragons 8-5.

## Dragons rally past Jackets

Berkeley sees 3-goal lead slip away; Cohen scores twice, Vilar notches 3 assists in loss

By Mike McGreehan  
STAFF WRITER

When the boys of Berkeley and Bishop O'Dowd high schools met for the first time in Shoreline Lacrosse League play on April 12, the Yellow Jackets survived a sleepy first quarter to win 6-2. Berkeley looked very good on that day. Bishop O'Dowd, perhaps, wasn't quite itself.

When the teams met again in Oakland on Thursday, the roles were reversed. For the return match, it was O'Dowd that finished strongly, scoring six unanswered goals — five in the final quarter alone — en route to an 8-5 win.

Nick Stratton led the way for the Dragons with two goals and three assists. Mike Esser scored a hat trick.

"They just played with a lot more intensity than we did," Berkeley coach Jon Rubin said. "We just got beat in the middle of the field — ground balls, hustle ..."

As it did in the April 12 match, O'Dowd (6-1 SLL) got off to a strong start. The Dragons grabbed the early lead when Esser scored from George Granelli with 43.9 seconds left in the first quarter, then went up 2-0 with 10:26 left in the second when Stratton notched his first assist on Granelli's power-play goal.

Berkeley — also following the April 12 script to this point — mounted a fierce comeback. First, Jesse Cohen scored from Dan Vilar, then Ed Hill tied it off a feed from Julien Coffman.

Nick Schooler gave Berkeley its first lead by scoring off a Vilar feed with 2:51 to go in the half.

Berkeley (4-1 SLL, 11-3 overall) went up 4-2 on what is normally considered a 'back-breaker,' as Cohen scored his second goal off Vilar's third assist with 2.2 seconds left.

In addition, the Yellow Jackets received a fine performance from goalie Marc Bloch, who did well to deny O'Dowd on more than one occasion.

Berkeley appeared well on the path to victory when it went up

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## ACCAL: One step at a time

Chaos' Tom, Yellow Jackets' score among able winners

By Bill Krussink  
STAFF WRITER

**HERCULES** — Alameda High School's perfect record in Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League meets, the

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with 153 points to



GREGORY URQUIAGA/STAFF

**BERKELEY'S REBEKAH PAYNE** raced to victory in the 100-meter hurdles at the ACCAL championships. Competing at Hercules High School on May 4, Payne's time was 15.1 seconds — more than two seconds ahead of teammate Erica Stewart, who came in second.

Pinole Valley's 120, El Cerrito's 90 and Berkeley's 73. Encinal, Hercules and Richmond each scored fewer than 10 points.

The Hornets won the girls meet with 193 points, the Yellow

Jackets finishing second at 87, the Gauchos third with 64 and the host Titans fourth at 62. Richmond had two points, Encinal one.

But since this meet was not as

much about the team concept as it was about which individuals would move on to the Bay Shore Meet at James Logan High School in Union City on May 17-18, and from there onto the NCS Meet of Champions at Edwards Stadium at UC Berkeley on May 24-25.

It is interesting to note there were dogfights in nearly every race. The top four finishers in each event qualified for the Bay Shore Meet.

One of the first individuals to come through with a win was El Cerrito's Duncan McIntyre. A senior, he edged out Encinal's Steve Schluchter in the discus, going 136-feet, 1-inch, two feet further than Schluchter and about 13 feet beyond Alameda's Scott Padway.

For McIntyre, beating Alameda was not the point.

"I expected I'd do all right, but you never know what's going to happen," he said. "It's always nice to move on."

McIntyre was second in the shot put as teammate Howard edged him by 4.75 inches.

Other competitors had Alameda on their minds. Berkeley's Alex Enscoe was one such athlete. A sophomore, he beat

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GREGORY URQUIAGA/STAFF

**IN A CELEBRATORY MOOD**, Berkeley outfielders Zoe Hitchner (3) and Alani Kelly exchanged high fives. Playing Alameda High on the UC Berkeley campus on May 3, the Yellow Jackets fell to the league-leading Hornets 4-0.

## Yellow Jackets comes up short

Club twice leaves bases loaded

By Bill Kolb  
STAFF WRITER

Alameda High School pitcher Sierra Pereira will probably remember this game as the one that almost got away.

Though she notched the 4-0, two-hit victory for the Hornets (17-5, 9-0 Alameda Contra Costa Athletic League), Pereira's stranglehold on the Yellow Jackets' offense came perilously close to slipping away on two separate occasions at Levine-Fricke Field

on the UC Berkeley campus on Friday.

Berkeley (12-7, 7-3) loaded the bases in both the fifth and seventh innings, but was unable to

come up with the big hit in need to push some runs across and get into the game.

"We made good contact," Berkeley coach Lisa Iancin said. "We just didn't push any runs

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## Yellow Jackets power up in pool

Walters, Cougars on diamond; Mary's heads to softball final

STAFF REPORTS

Alameda won the team war,

but Berkeley won its share of battles at the ACCAL swimming championships, held May 4 at Contra Costa College in San Pablo.

Undefeated in league meets, the Hornets won the boys meet with 582 points. Berkeley was second with 337 points, El Cer-

rito fifth with 254.

But the Yellow Jackets scored wins in six of 11 events, including the 200-yard medley relay, where Berkeley won with a North Coast Section consideration time of 1 minute, 45.47 seconds.

But it was in individual swim

where the Yellow Jackets shined. Sophomore Dominic Cathey captured the 200 individual medley in 2:00.38, with teammate Nikaz Ariel third. Ariel won the 100 breaststroke in 1:06.94. Cathey also took the 500 free, touching

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## Deck

Section diving champ-

Diablo Valley College, Pleas-

Section swimming trials,

Section Aquatic Center,

Section Friday, May 17, 9:30 a.m.;

Section swimming finals

Section, Dolores Bengtson

Section, Pleasanton, Saturday,

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Section, today, 3:30 p.m.;

Section, Berkeley at San Pablo

Section, May 15, 3:30 p.m.;

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By beating the Eagles, the Cougars could clinch the BSAL title and go into the playoffs seeded first.

### Golf

**North Coast Section Tournament of Champions**, Monday, May 13, Baywood Golf & Country Club, Arcata, 9 a.m.

Taka Holmes of Berkeley and three players from St. Mary's — Brian Haller, Ian Salsbury, and Dominic Callegri have qualified to play in the TCC. Holmes shot a 75, Haller a 76, Salsbury a 78 and Callegri a 79 in Monday's NCS qualifier at Las Positas Golf Club in Livermore.

### Boys lacrosse

**Piedmont at Berkeley**, today, 6 p.m.

The hurt Yellow Jackets are coming off an 8-5 loss to Bishop O'Dowd last Thursday to tie the Dragons for the lead in the Shoreline Lacrosse League. Berkeley defeated Piedmont 13-3 in Piedmont on April 23 despite missing seven players. A Piedmont win would

put a real hurt on Berkeley. Playoffs? Don't know all the particulars yet, but Dragons and Yellow Jackets appear to be a lock.

### Softball

**Berkeley vs. Encinal at lower Washington Park**, Alameda today, 3:30 p.m.; **El Cerrito vs. Berkeley at Old Grove Street Park**, Wednesday, May 15, 3:30 p.m.; **Berkeley at De Anza**, Friday, May 17, 3:30 p.m.

The Yellow Jackets are playing for a spot in the NCS 3A playoffs.

**Albany at Kennedy**, today, 3:30 p.m.; **Bay Shore Athletic League playoffs**, Tuesday, May 14; Thursday, May 16; Saturday, May 18, TBA.

The Cougars still have a shot at the BSAL playoffs.

### Track & Field

**Bay Shore Athletic League championship finals**, Saturday, 2 p.m. (field events), 4 p.m. (running events), Witter Field, Piedmont.

A very good meet, if you're a St. Mary's fan. The Panthers should dominate both the boys and girls competition. Too many good athletes — Kamaia Warren (shot put, discus), Solomon Welch (long jump, triple jump) Bridget Duffy (1,600, 3,200), Danielle Stokes (100, 300 hurdles) — to name just a few. There are others.

### Volleyball

**BSAL championship**, St. Mary's at St. Joseph today at 4 p.m. — Who'd a thunk it? The fourth-seeded Panthers knock off the top-seeded Salesian Chieftains to earn a shot at the BSAL title. Still, they have to get past the defending-champion Pilots.

### Stars of the Week

■ **Alex Enscoe, Berkeley track** — Won both the 1,600- and 3,200-meter races at the ACCAL championships; and **Jason Tom, El Cerrito track** — won the 100 high hurdles and the 300 intermediate hurdles at the ACCAL championships.

■ **Dominic Cathey and Nick Easter-**

**day, Berkeley swimming** — The duo each won two races at the ACCAL championships; Cathey took the 200-yard individual medley, earning an automatic NCS qualifying time, and the 500 freestyle; Easterday captured the 50 free and the 100 free.

■ **Brian Haller, St. Mary's golf** — Haller was named MVP of the Bay Shore Athletic League after winning the league tournament last week. He also advanced to the NCS Tournament on Monday 8 in Arcata after posting a 4-over-par 76 on Monday in the NCS South Qualifying Tournament in Livermore.

■ **Taka Holmes, Berkeley golf** — Was the top local qualifier at the NCS South tournament, shooting a 3-over 75 at Las Positas. He also qualified for Arcata.

■ **Jesse Cohen and Dan Vilar, Berkeley lacrosse** — Cohen scored two goals and Vilar had three assists in the Yellow Jackets' 8-5 loss at Bishop O'Dowd last Thursday. Goaltender Marc Bloch also made some fine saves to keep Berkeley in the match. Berkeley had a

5-2 lead in the third quarter before O'Dowd rallied for the final six goals.

### Quotes of the week

■ "Depends who I'm running with. If they faster, then I try to run with them — try to PR (set a personal record). With people just as fast as I am, I probably won't try to PR."

— **Berkeley runner Stephen Brooks** after winning the 400-meter race at the ACCAL championships, held May 4 at Hercules High School. Brooks' time of 50.01 seconds won the race by a second, but was about a second shy of his personal best.

■ "They played with more intensity than we did. We just got beat in the middle of the field — ground balls, hustle ..."

— **Berkeley boys lacrosse coach Jon Rubin**, explaining his team's Shoreline Lacrosse League loss at O'Dowd last Thursday.



## Albany-Berkeley girls softball

RESULTS OF MAY 4

## ■ Younger Division

Arkin-Tilt Great Danes 14,  
Sweet Potato Sluggers 6

Both teams gave a fine display of batting, fielding and plain good fun. After strong hits by Great Danes Michaela Bathrick and Isabel Hubbard, Cayla Gordon hit a well-placed grounder to drive in a run on a close play at the plate. Sarah Hamik's thunderous grounder scored another run for the Danes.

The Sweet Potatoes Sluggers showed excellent defense as first baseman McKenzie Giblin made an extraordinary stop and beat the runner to the base for an out. Giblin, Sarah Herman, Taylor Rios and Staci Apodaca all enjoyed strong plate appearances in the top of the second.

Nolo Sharks 22  
Alliance Graphics Lightening Bolts 22

Saturday's game at Longfellow was evenly played from start to finish.

Going into the third inning, the score was tied 11-11, and great teamwork took over from that point. Shark Nicole Gomez scooped up grounders and relayed to Terra Dudley at second for one out, then did the same to Lily Gordon at first for another. Bolt Zia Walker relayed to Eliza Stuber at first base, keeping the Sharks at bay, 17-16.

The fourth inning brought it down to the wire. Both teams got to have all 10 batters come up to the plate. The Sharks' defense

was strong, with Oliver-Grey recording an out at third base and Emma Tadlock-Goldsmith fielding a hard shot to second and making the play. Lightening Bolt Linden recorded an out at home plate. But Sarah Madden's strong single for the Sharks knocked in two runs and Lily Enos's single brought in the tying run to end the game.

Dr. Brehnan's  
Smilemakers 24  
On The Beam Dolphins 19

The teams played a close contest Saturday.

After enduring a barrage of Dolphins singles in the top of the first inning, the Smilemakers began a hit parade of their own. Only Dolphins shortstop Julie Moorad's well-timed throw to third baseman Alexandra Spencer-Wong stopped the Smilemakers' threat, leaving the Dolphins up by one.

The second inning saw the Smilemakers' defense shut down the Dolphins with a trifecta of well-played outs. Pitcher Katie Tick turned Kelly Kaufman's line drive into an out at home with catcher Jenna Archer receiving the throw. Tick next grabbed Barbara McCray's pop fly and fired it to Rachel Burns at first for the inning-ending double play. Tick ended the Smilemakers' half of the inning with a two-run double.

The Dolphins rallied in the third with Annelise Finney's double to right field. Smilemakers'

catcher Ashley LaRosa ended the Dolphins' five-run streak with a nice play at home for the last out.

Led by Moorad's double, the Dolphins tied the game with six runs in the top of the fourth. A Burns-to-Tick out at first base ended the Dolphins' rally.

The Smilemakers came back to clinch the game, with Taylor Wolf skipping home with the winning run.

■ Older Division  
Autumn Press 22,  
Berkeley Home 5

Autumn catcher Julia Pine made an awesome tag at home, then threw to second base to catch Kayla Sims in the bottom of the second.

For Home, the combo of pitcher Andrea Woodward and catcher Madeline Lettieri did their best to control the Autumn offense. But Autumn's Jenna Nation had a two-run single and later aggressively ran home to establish a secure 9-3 lead.

Pitcher Briana Waqa highlighted the bottom of the third inning by retiring the Home batters in order.

A grand slam by Sarah Ball in the top of the fourth added another four runs to raise the score to 13-3. Home's next batters were unsuccessful in changing the balance of the game.

The Autumn hitting machine continued in the fifth. Alexis Bowyer Woodward both scored for Berkeley Home, but Autumn Press was not to be stopped in this game.

## Roundup

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the wall in 5:01.55 — more than 26 seconds ahead of Encinal's Jordan Smith.

Berkeley junior Nick Easterday claimed a pair of races, taking the 50 free in 23.58 — .01 seconds ahead of Alameda's Terry Fukuchi — and the 100 free in 52.06.

Overall, the girls' meet was even closer, the Hornets rolling up 514 points to the Jackets' 474. El Cerrito was fifth with 179 points. But here, the Yellow Jackets managed individual wins in just one event. Senior Marissa Root swam to a win in the 100 free, stopping the clock at 59.55.

But Berkeley's 200 medley relay was second, Root was second in the 200 free (2:08.69), Amy Jagust (1:06.53) and Lauren Sonderger (1:07.68) were second and third respectively in the 100 butterfly and Charlotte Daniels (1:16.13), Lindsay Rodgers (1:16.67) and Virginia Vaughn (1:18.87) placed second through fourth respectively in the 100 breast.

In addition, Berkeley's relays were second in the 200 free relay and the meet-ending 400 free relay.

## Baseball

St. Mary's 7, Piedmont 5  
Piedmont — Joe Storno did it again to Piedmont.

The St. Mary's senior pitcher, who had defeated the Athletic League opener, won a workmanlike game and defeated the Scots 7-5 Wednesday afternoon at Witter Field. The victory clinched second place for the Panthers (8-3) and a first-round bye in the Bay Shore Athletic League playoffs. St. Mary's will host a semifinal game on a day still to be determined.

Storno, the St. Mary's ace on a staff that doesn't have another face card, fell behind 3-0 in the first inning when he gave up a three-run home run to Peter Boyle. But despite throwing more than 100 pitches in seven innings, Storno managed to keep the lid on after that and enable his team to come back.

Key hits, walks and two big Piedmont errors allowed St. Mary's to score five times in the top of the fourth to take a 5-3 lead. Chase Moore led off the inning with a single to center and Storno walked. After Tom Corman hit into a force play, retiring Moore at third, Piedmont starter Nikhi Aurora walked Jeff Marshall and Marcus Johnson to load the bases.

Manny Mejia was safe on an error that scored Storno to cut the lead to 3-1 and re-load the bases. Chris Morocco lashed a single to right that scored Marshall and Johnson to tie the game at 3-3. Peter McGinness hit a high fly ball to left-center field that tipped off the glove of center fielder Rand Thygesen. The error scored Mejia and Morocco and St. Mary's had a 5-3 lead.

The Panthers extended it to 6-3 in the fifth when Moore scored on Marshall's bases-loaded ground out. After Piedmont cut the gap to 6-5 with two runs in the bottom of the fifth, Morocco hit a solo home run off relief pitcher Alex Danoff for the final run in the top of the sixth.

Through it all, Storno kept pitching. It wasn't pretty — he gave up 10 hits — but he walked just two batters, Piedmont, on the other hand, walked six Panther batters and committed two huge errors.

"I was a little upset when I gave up that homer (to Boyle), but I felt strong and I was hitting some spots," Storno said. "I'm used to making a lot of pitches." And St. Mary's, this season, is getting used to beating Piedmont.

Albany 7, Salesian 2

RICHMOND — After suffering a 2-1 home loss to the Salesian High School baseball team on March 26, Albany was looking for a little payback. And on Wednesday afternoon, the visiting Cougars got it thanks to a five-run seventh, which led to a 7-2 victory in Bay Shore Athletic League play.

The win was especially sweet for the Cougars (16-5, 9-2 BSAL) as it keeps them one game up on second-place St. Mary's before their regular season finale against Kennedy on Friday.

"This game was real big," said Albany right fielder James Lzu-

mizaki, who went 1-for-4 today. His one hit was a loaded double, which brought in two runs in the top of the seventh and sparked the rally. "Salesian beat us in field last time, and we just could beat them."

The seventh inning breaker began when the Panthers filled the bases with two outs. That set the table for mizaki. He fought his way an 0-2 hole and laced a drive down the left-field line to Doug Fisch and Eddie for a 4-2 Albany lead.

Before the inning was over, the Cougars would be adding three more runs to it a 7-2.

In the bottom of the seventh, the Cougars were nursing lead when the Chief's 7-4) mounted a rally with runners at second and third. Renn drove a double to center field, which should have sent the Chief's to the top of the eighth. But the Chief's lead runner, Kyle Bethel, was thrown out from second, missed the throw on his way to the plate.

The appeal was denied and the Chief's game was removed.

El Cerrito 15, Pinole 3

The visiting Gauchos (13-3 Alameda Contra Costa League) pounded the home team while pitcher Kenny Hurley hurled a three-hit, three-strikeout performance in the victory.

Greg Murray and Javy

voy both went 3-for-5 for El Cerrito. Pinole Valley fell to 7-4 ACCAL.

Volleyball

St. Mary's d. Salesian

The visiting No. 4 Panthers rallied back from game hole, winning 3-1, 15-11, 15-13, 15-12 over seeded Chiefains to advance to the BSAL finals match with St. Joseph on Friday.

Sy Adams led the Panthers with 15 kills and nine digs. Andy Accacian amassed 10 kills.

Scott Strain and Molina contributed to the roundup.

## Track

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Alameda's Yoji Reichert and Nick Bell were the first 1,600 and 3,200.

The 3,200 was a back-and-forth thriller for the first 2,400 meters. At that point Encose sent his legs into overdrive, crossing the finish line in 9 minutes, 59.32 seconds — more than 20 seconds ahead of Bell and 38 seconds ahead of Reichert.

"The best meets are against Alameda," Encose said. "They're the real competition."

Bell, who came in fairly certain he was going to reach the next level, was relaxed.

"Well, none of us was taking it that seriously," Bell said. "We were trading places during the race."

Pinole Valley sophomore Austin Hicks had a break through in the 800. A solid cross country runner last fall, Hicks has settled into shorter runs on the track. He won the 800 with a kick that drove him past Berkeley's Spenser Hall. Hick's time — a personal record — was 2:05.18, with Hall following at 2:06.93.

"The (kick) came from somewhere, I don't understand it," he said. "I just kicked it out somehow. I can't explain it."

El Cerrito's Jason Tom won two events: the 100 intermediate hurdles in 15.17 and the 300 intermediate hurdles with a time of 40.63.

Berkeley junior Stephan Brooks' powerful win in the 400-meter dash was another noteworthy event. After opening a considerable lead, Brooks raced to the finish line almost two seconds ahead of Alameda's Matt Udenberg. Brook's time was 50.01.

"I just try to come out harder in the first 200 (meters)," Brooks

said. "Coming into the turn, I concentrate on the last 100."

Brooks was second to Pinole Valley's D'Andre McFarland in the 200, crossing the line in 22.73.

Berkeley's Rebekah Payne and Erica Stewart finished first and second in the 100 meter intermediate hurdles, Payne's time of 15.10 beating Stewart by about 2 1/2 seconds.

Yellow Jacket Alicia Zakon took the girls' 300 low hurdles in 53.14; and Berkeley's Traci Estell, Payne, Stewart and Jui Broussard captured the 4-by-100 relay in 50.22 — just .02 seconds ahead of Hercules' relay.

El Cerrito's Lindsey Spolrich won the girls' high jump, hitting 5-feet; and Berkeley's Sabah R'd took the discus, going 95-2; Berkeley's Jere' Summers won the shot put with a throw of 32-09.5. El Cerrito's Dakasha Roberts and Ashley Brande were second and third respectively.

## PREP BOYS

## ACCAL Championships

At Berkeley HS

Team scores: Alameda 153, Pinole Valley 120, El Cerrito 90, Berkeley 73, Cicero 6, Hercules 4, Richmond 2

Qualifiers for NCS Bayshore Championships May 18-19

100 D'Andre McFarland (PV) 11.03; Lodgie James (PV) 11.23; Sean Young (Ber) 11.33; Jason Zellick (Ala) 11.43

200 McFarland (PV) 22.41; Stephan Brooks (Ber) 22.73; Wopano Osalio (PV) 22.80; James (PV) 23.10

400 Brooks (Ber) 50.01; Matt Udenberg (Ala) 51.61; Philip Pene (EC) 53.68; Greg Broussard (Ber) 54.12

800 Austin Hicks (PV) 2:05.18; Spenser Hall (Ber) 2:06.93; Rauli Peltola (Ala) 2:08.91; Sarned Arner (Ber) 2:09.61

1600 Alex Encose (Ber) 4:28.79; Yoji Reichert (Ala) 4:32.11; Nicolas Bell (Ala) 4:39.43; Scott Monachi (Ber) 4:48.23

3200 Encose (Ber) 9:59.32; Bell (Ala) 10:09.82; Reichert (Ala) 10:28.93; Nicolas Riley (Ber) 10:37.38

110 Ht. Jason Tom (EC) 15.17; Kyle Whitmore (PV) 15.19; Wilson Mac (Ala) 15.68; Chad Cowings (PV) 15.95

300 Ht. Tom (EC) 40.63; Whitmore (PV) 40.88; Cowings (PV) 44.57; Mak (Ala) 45.42

400 relay Pinole Valley (Whitmore, McFarland, James, Osalio) 43.04; El Cerrito (Keith Randle, Ryan Schaller, Brandon McBride, Darian Webb) 45.52; Alameda (Zellick,

Craig Hoang, Bryan Soots, Jonathon Chu) 45.78; Berkeley 46.58

1600 relay Pinole Valley (Whitmore, McFarland, James, Osalio) 3:30.34; Alameda (Chu, Pelayo, Justin Sibley, Udenberg) 3:34.93; El Cerrito (Schaller, Tom, Pique, Webb) 3:39.64; Encinal 00

TJ Udenberg (Ala) 39-04.75; Mak (Ala) 35-06.00; Robert Baulista (PV) 35-11.00; Sibley (Ala) 34-01.00

LJ Udenberg (Ala) 17-10.00; Kermey Edwards (PV) 16-06.00; Charles Kimbrough (Ala) 16:01.75; Pelayo (Ala) 15-05.50

SP Eric Howard (EC) 46-07.5; Duncan McIntyre (EC) 46:02.75; Tyson Quink (EC) 44-10.75; Darrell Johnson (PV) 44-02.00

Discus McIntyre (EC) 136-01; Steve Schlachter (EC) 134-01; Scott Padway (Ala) 123-05; Howard (EC) 111-10

## PREP GIRLS

## ACCAL Championships

At Berkeley HS

Team scores: Alameda 190, Berkeley 87, El Cerrito 64, Hercules 52, Richmond 2, Encinal 1

Qualifiers for NCS Bayshore Championships May 18-19

100 Meta Tezono (Her) 11.96; Gabriela Ward (Ber) 12.44; Monique Coleman (EC) 12.48; Tracy Estell (Ber) 12.50

200 Tezono (Her) 25.22; Coleman (EC) 25.93; Estell (Ber) 26.31; Faith Cushman (EC) 27.70

400 Alicia Williams (Ber) 1:00.51; Nicole Rodrigues (Ala) 1:02.20; Angelle Howard (Her) 1:03.44; Jennifer Cadell (Her) 1:03.71

800 Connie Roberts (Ala) 2:20.33; Jennifer Steiner (Ala) 2:27.82; Lara Burren (Ala) 2:41.61; Jennifer Swinney (Ala) 2:48.00

1600 Roberts (Ala) 5:23.57; Sarah Orzell (Ala) 5:36.91; Gabrielle Assayag (Ala) 5:45.08; Elizabeth Mendelson (Ber) 6:05.98

3200 Orzell (Ala) 12:06.13; Assayag (Ala) 13:09.44; Mendelson (Ber) 13:10.51; Grace Lee (Ala) 13:52.46

100 Ht. Rebekah Payne (Ber) 15.10; Erica Stewart (Ber) 17.58; Cindy Vongkhanchanh (Ala) 18.22; Jessica Robinson (Ala) 18.82

300 LH Alicia Zakon (Ber) 53.14; Vongkhanchanh (Ala) 53.45; Robinson (Ala) 57.13; Monica Pineda (Ala) 58.70

400 relay Berkeley (Estell, Payne, Stewart, Jui Broussard) 50.20; Hercules (Tezono, Williams, Howard, Lasha Sessions) 50.22; Alameda (Vongkhanchanh, Jennifer Franklin, Maria Green, Ashley Omphroy) 53.05; El Cerrito (Dominique, Janalazte Norton, Jennifer Jackson, Cushman) 55.54

1600 relay Hercules (Tezono, Williams, Howard, Cadell) 4:13.12; Alameda (Robinson, Roberts, Steiner, Rodrigues) 4:22.89; El Cerrito (Cushman, Latscha, Vaca, Lindsey Spolrich, Lee) 5:54.92

12 Lauren Hodill (Ala) 31-02.00; Brittany Hodill (Ala) 29-03.00; Kristin Rosenblum (Ala) 26-11.00

LJ L. Hodill (Ala) 15-09.75; Jui Broussard (Ber) 15-00.5; B. Hodill (Ala) 14-11.00; Sessions (Her) 14-08.75

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SP Jere Summers (Ber) 32-09.5; Dakasha (EC) 30-09.75; Ashley Brande (EC) 29-05.00; Anne Krieder (Ala) 28-00.00

Discus Sabah R'd (Ber) 95-2; Kreider (Ala) 93-3; Erica Kendall (Ala) 92-9; Rossetta Reed (EC) 86-10

## Lacrosse

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5-2 on an O'Dowd own goal early in the second half. Suddenly, though, the wheels either came off for the Yellow Jackets or came back on for the Dragons. Then again, perhaps it was a combination of both.

Esser started the comeback by scoring off a Nick Azpiroz feed with 1:59 left in the third quarter. Bryce Freeman pulled O'Dowd within a goal by scoring off a Stratton assist with 40 seconds gone in the final period.

Stratton's first goal — off a pass from Granelli — tied the score at 5-5 with 10:06 left. O'Dowd went up for keeps exactly one minute later on a power-play goal, a bang-bang play that had Pat

Bird scoring from Stratton's pass. It was with 4:58 left, however, that Stratton made the play of the match, scoring off a long run after scooping a loose ball in his own end. Esser completed his hat trick when he scored the game's last goal from a Seth Kweller assist with 1:03 left.

"We felt we could beat (Berkeley)," O'Dowd coach Wayne Shaffer said. "We opened up the field really well and created a lot of space. We put it together this week."

In all, the match was the mirror image of the one the teams played April 12.

Postmatch

THE FIELDS: Berkeley's home field is AstroTurf, while O'Dowd's is natural. So how much does home-field advantage count in this rivalry?

"I think it makes a bit of dif-

ference — maybe a couple of goals," Rubin said of the magic carpet from Monsanto that covers his home field, "but (the Dragons) would have beaten us at our place today."

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# Arts

## 'Entertainer,' 'Collected Stories' look at passing generations

**P**REVIEWS OF John Osborne's "The Entertainer" begin at 8 p.m. tonight at the Aurora Theatre, 2081 Addison St., Berkeley, continuing Saturday, Sunday and Wednesday before the opening May 16.

This is an unblinking look at three generations of music hall entertainers as they grapple with personal ambition and family loyalty through times of national disillusion and dissolution as seen through the lens of show business.

Charles Dean is cast in the role of the seedy and manipulative comedian Archie Rice, a role made famous by Sir Laurence Olivier. Tom Rice, Aurora producing director, is directing "The Entertainer."

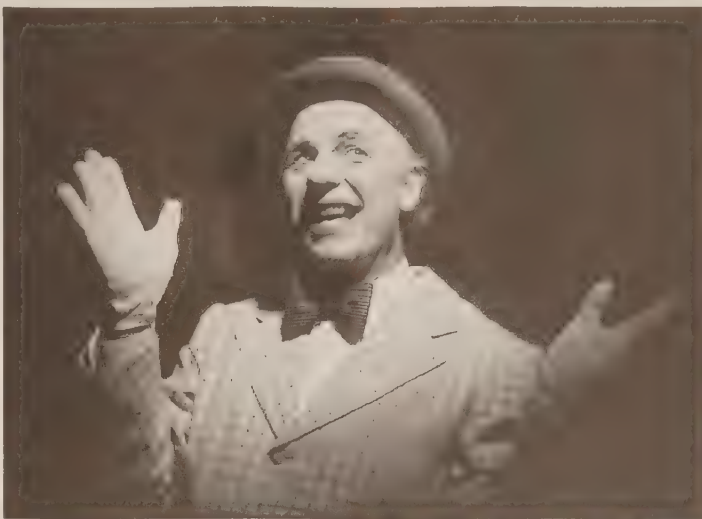
Tickets are \$26 for the previews and all Sunday shows during the regular run; \$36 for opening night and all Saturday performances, and \$30 Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays after the previews. Additional discounts are available for seniors and students. Call 510-843-4822, or visit the Aurora Web site at [www.aurora-theatre.org](http://www.aurora-theatre.org).

Show times are 8 p.m. Wednesday through Saturdays, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sundays. Closes June 16.

**THREE TIMES AND OUT:** Envision, a program of the Masquers Playhouse, opens a three-performance sprint at 8 p.m. tonight of "Collected Stories" by Donald Margulies at the 105 Park Place playhouse in Point Richmond.

The show repeats at 8 p.m. tomorrow and 2:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$8. Call 510-236-4988.

"Collected Stories," directed by Debra Blondheim and featuring Eileen Rossi and Gabrielle Fisher, takes us inside an insular world of fiction writers. An established writer takes a promising younger woman writer under her wing.



CHARLES DEAN is cast in the role of the seedy and manipulative comedian Archie Rice in John Osborne's "The Entertainer." Previews start tonight at the Aurora Theatre in Berkeley.



JACK TUCKER  
Community Theater

The student-teacher relationship begins on a note of adulation by the student. Over a span of six years, her role changes from dedicated disciple, to confidante and friend, to threatening rival.

This is a vividly drawn study of talents: one on the wane, one on the way up, a passing of the cup of celebrity from one who has known it to one who craves to drink deeply. Literate and intellectually stimulating.

### IT'S DARK OUT TONIGHT:

Tonight, Bare Bones Theatre in association with First Seen, the Bay Area producing playwrights' collective, is opening the world premiere of Katherine Murphy's dark comedy, "Greater America," for a week-end run through June 9. E. S. Pender is directing.

"Greater America" plays at 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays (except May 11) and 7 p.m. Sundays at the Next Stage, 1620 Gough (at Bush), San Francisco. Tickets are \$15 with two pay-what-you-can performances on May 12 and 26. Call 415-821-2418.

Murphy's skewed vision of the world revolves around a bizarre Thanksgiving dinner in a hotel room near the amusement park of the title.

### MCKENZIE MEMORIAL:

A memorial service celebrating the life of James B. McKenzie, executive producer at American Conservatory Theater from 1969 to 1985, will be held Saturday from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Fred's Columbia Room at the Geary Theater, 415 Geary Blvd., San Francisco. McKenzie died Feb. 20 after a battle with cancer and pneumonia. He was 75.

Let Beulah Steen (415-834-3200) know if you wish to attend the service.

Reach Jack Tucker c/o the West County Times, 4301 Lakeside Drive, Richmond, CA, 94806; fax to 510-262-2776; e-mail to [jtucker@cttimes.com](mailto:jtucker@cttimes.com), or call 510-262-2768. Include a contact name and number.

### EVENTS

#### Comedy

**KIMBALL'S EAST** — "Live Comedy," Thursdays, 7 p.m. \$10 cover. Emerybay Public Market, 5800 Shellmound St., Emeryville. (510) 658-2555, (510) 762-BASS or [www.kimballs.com](http://www.kimballs.com)

#### General

**OAKLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY** — **AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM AND LIBRARY** — "Confederate Currency: The Color of Money," through June 29. An exhibition of 60 acrylic paintings by John W. Jones. An examination of the ideas and images represented on Southern currency and their role in the psycho-cultural dehumanization of African Americans. 659 14th St. (510) 637-0200. **WEST OAKLAND BRANCH** — "Chess Workshop for Children," Wednesdays, 4 p.m. to 5:20 p.m. 1801 Adeline St. (510) 597-5049. Free. Oakland. (510) 238-3134 or [www.oaklandlibrary.org](http://www.oaklandlibrary.org)

**CODY'S BOOKSTORES** — **TELEGRAPH AVENUE** — Laszlo Barabasi, May 10. The author talks about "Linked: The New Science of Networks," about a maverick group of scientists who are discovering that all networks have a deep underlying order and operate according to simple but powerful rules.

Steven Wise, May 13. The author talks about "Drawing the Line: Science and the Case for Animal Rights."

Terence Cheng, May 14. The author reads from "Sons of Heaven," about the most dramatic symbol of the Tiananmen Square massacre, the lone young man who leapt in front of the oncoming tanks.

John Sutor and Gary Snyder, May 15, 12:15 p.m. Snyder in conversation with Sutor about "Poets on the Peaks: Gary Snyder, Philip Whalen and Jack Kerouac in the North Cascades."

Richard Dry, May 16. The author talks about "Leaving," about the lives of an African-American family who journey from South Carolina to a new life in Oakland during the early 1960s.

Carol Gilligan, May 17. The author talks about "The Birth of Pleasure," about love and the forces that stand in the way of pleasure.

Susan Parker, May 18. The author talks about "Tumbling After: Pedaling Like Crazy After Life Goes Downhill," her memoir of when her husband Ralph became a quadriplegic after a freak biking accident. 2454 Telegraph Ave. (510) 845-7852.

**FOURTH STREET** — 1730 Fourth St. (510) 559-9500.

Free. Readings at 7:30 p.m. unless noted otherwise. Berkeley.

**THE STARRY PLOUGH** — "The Berkeley Poetry Slam," Wednesdays, 8:30 p.m. Poets should arrive at 7:30 p.m. to sign up. The first Wednesday of the month is "Chicken Grease!" hosted by Nazelah Jamison and Karen Ladson with spinning by DJ Funklor; all other Wednesdays are "The Berkeley Slam!" hosted by Charles Eliik and dani euryome with music by Three Blind Mice. For ages 21 and over after 10 p.m. \$5. 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. (510) 435-1665.

**ARTSHIP FOUNDATION AND OAKLAND ART GALLERY** — Tuesday Night Art Series, through June 25, 7 p.m. Lectures featuring art critics and artists.

May 14: Harry Roche, art critic. Free. 150 Frank Ogawa Plaza, Oakland. (510) 268-4978 or [www.artship.org](http://www.artship.org)

**DUNSMUIR HOUSE & GARDENS** — through Sept. 25. Nestled in the Oakland hills, the 40-acre Dunsmuir House and Gardens estate includes the 37-room Neoclassical Revival Dunsmuir Mansion, built by coal and lumber baron Alexander Dunsmuir for his bride. Restored outbuildings set amid landscaped gardens surround the mansion.

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## Lane suffers a fatal attraction in 'Unfaithful'

By Mary F. Pols  
TIMES STAFF WRITER

Very few people are going to see a movie called "Unfaithful" because they're interested in the ramifications of infidelity, from the guilt to the larger familial turmoil. Let's be frank about this: Like the participants in infidelity, we want the sex, not the aftermath.

In "Unfaithful," director Adrian Lyne, who made it clear with "9½ Weeks" that he's the master of American soft porn, delivers the sex, and plenty of it, in evocative, tensely erotic detail. But halfway through, the sex draws to an abrupt, indeed rather messy halt, and the movie shifts into reckoning mode, which may disgruntle viewers who came for the fun and games.

Lyne did this before in his earlier movies about infidelity, throwing cold water on aroused audiences in the form of a ludicrous bloody battle in "Fatal Attraction" and with a load of tedious spousal moping in "Indecent Proposal." But respectively, those movies responded to both the American urge for bloodlust and our collective need for a happy ending. "Unfaithful" has some of that bloodlust, but Lyne ends it on an ambiguous, far less compromised note. Audiences may not be able to forgive it for following the true emotional pattern of illicit passion — soaring highs followed by desperate lows and changed lives — but "Unfaithful" is a better movie than the other two installments of Lyne's trilogy of cheating.

The smartest decision Lyne made was in casting as his star the excellent Diane Lane, who already made adultery look fabulous in a little gem called "A Walk on the Moon." In that movie, she played a late-1960s housewife who cheats on her largely absent husband with an intoxicatingly attractive traveling salesman played by Viggo Mortensen (any woman who is feeling blue should rent that movie immediately; the waterfall scene will cheer you beyond belief).

In "Unfaithful," Lane plays suburban wife Connie Sumner; Richard Gere is cast against type as her cuckolded husband, Edward. It's not that Edward, who owns a successful security firm, is exactly a dowdy character, but he's fairly staid, a guy who wears comforting sweater vests. The



OLIVER MARTINEZ plays a seductive book dealer who romances Diane Lane (above), and Richard Gere is cast against type as the suspicious, cuckolded husband in "Unfaithful."

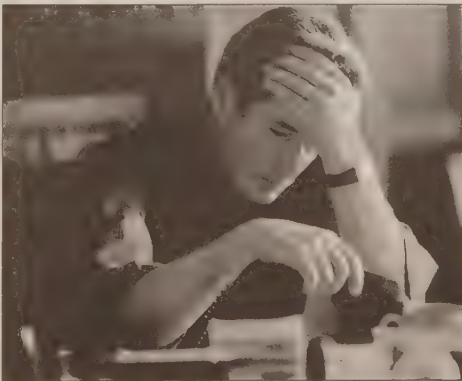
### REVIEW

- **WHAT:** "Unfaithful"
- **STARRING:** Diane Lane, Richard Gere, Olivier Martinez, Chad Lowe, Kate Burton, Margaret Colin
- **RATING:** R (sexuality, language and a scene of violence)
- **RUNNING TIME:** 2 hours, 3 minutes
- **WHERE:** Opens today at area theaters
- **GRADE:** B

movie is stronger for the fact that there's really nothing wrong with him at all, but Connie still cheats on him.

And why, you and Edward might ask? The script doesn't give us a reason per se, which is likely to condemn Connie instantly with more content members of the audience (on the way out of a preview screening, I heard one woman talking about how "tainted" she was in comparison to Edward, which once you've seen the end of the movie is absurd).

But here's what we can garner: Connie has nothing to do but raise money for the posh school her 8-year-old son, Charlie ("Malcolm in the Middle's" Erik Per Sullivan, who grates beyond belief) attends. She's bored with-out even knowing it, and proba-



bly feeling the pressure of aging. Even though she's still shy of 40 and about as physically attractive as a person can be, the catty women she has coffee with (played well by Kate Burton and Margaret Colin) are starting to ask each other, "Do you think she's had work done?" If you can't see any wiggle room in there, any reason why Connie might be willing to risk the good life to feel young and passionate again, there's not much chance you'll enjoy this movie.

Connie's temptation comes in a very seductive package, a French book dealer named Paul

Martel (Olivier Martinez, the French version of Penelope Cruz, a man whose acting talent, if it exists, is hidden behind his curled lips, melting brown eyes and charming accent). She bumps into him one very windy day on the street, scraps her knee and ends up visiting his SoHo loft for tea and a Band-Aid. Nothing happens at first, but the electricity between them is intense, and pretty soon they're throwing it down every afternoon in restrooms, movie theaters and his bohemian book-lined den.

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## Comings, goings and sayings at KTUV

**KTUV'S PERSONABLE** new general manager, Jeff Block, picked over the other day at Jack London Square for a few seconds after I asked how his management style differed from that of his colorful predecessor, Kevin O'Brien.

The good-natured, lower-key O'Brien for over a decade, witnessing O'Brien's head attacks on his G.M. counterparts at San Francisco (one favorite target: KRON's now-departed manager Amy Mc-

think I'm just as competitive," said Block, "the profitable Oakland station has the highest billings of any Area station, around \$1 million a year."

Block wants to kick their butt, I probably don't belong to quite the person Kevin did," the naggingly said, chuckling at memory of his old boss's words in the press on Mc-

G.M.'s Harry Fuller and Jeff Wean.

Normally during a sweeps week like the current one, most competition among stations for ratings — and resulting local ad dollars — is fierce, Block agrees. But

Block, with an extra local player (new NBC affiliate KTVU) bringing the number of news operations now down for a limited audience from 4 to 5, it's been taken to an extra notch.

The long-time KTVU sales manager agrees, and adds, "TV is a cutthroat business. I know a lot of other stations are. But I suspect even more so than most."

Block also says that KTVU's morning forecaster, John Bentley, will be leaving in May sweeps.

Block's going back to Washington, D.C., with her husband, and her houses are about half as large, Block says. Accused friendly weekend forecaster Steve Paulson has the track for Bentley's ratings on 2" job, Block

another significant person in the area at Jack London Square. Block confirms that reporter Bob MacKenzie signed a new KTVU contract. Normally, with a reporter that would be no big deal. MacKenzie, the former KTVU TV Guide and the KTVU, is no ordinary reporter. He's hands down the best writer and feature reporter on KTVU. His handiwork on KTVU Channel 2's news program is the veneer of class.

MacKenzie is so good at his job, in fact, that KGO is hiding war 15 years ago — use for a reporter — MacKenzie away from the example of years until the MacKenzie came back to

**THE NEW ASBESTOS:** As the listeners and viewers of KGO Edell know, the bright KGO radio host KGO Radio, KGO is afraid to express controversial opinions — views, we hear, that are usually discredited by solid research. For years, for example, Edell has crusaded against circumcision; against the unregulated sale of supplements and the suppression of the industry's outrageous claims; and against the routine use of X-rays (pushed by a KGO radio ad) that he says is misleading and scare tactics.

Edell has also spotted a KGO TV has jumped on the bandwagon — especially during

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## NOW PLAYING

Below are capsule reviews of movies playing at area theaters. The reviewers are Vera H-C Chan and Mary F. Polds, Times; Robert W. Butler, Knight Ridder Newspapers; Anthony Breznican, David Germain, Christy Lemire, Tim Molloy, Sheila Norman-Culp and Matt Wolf, Associated Press; Jan Stuart, Newsday; Stephen Holden, Dave Kehr, Elvis Mitchell, A.O. Scott and Lawrence Van Gelder, New York Times; Valerie Kulkenski, Bob Strauss and Glenn Whipp, Los Angeles Daily News; Kevin Thomas and Kenneth Turan, Los Angeles Times; Gary Dowell, Tom Maustadt, Chris Vogner and Philip Wuntch, Dallas Morning News; and Roger Moore, Orlando Sentinel.

**"AMADEUS: THE DIRECTOR'S CUT":** Milos Forman's 1984 Academy Award-winning period piece is back in theaters with an additional 20 minutes of film footage. F. Murray Abraham, who took home the best actor Oscar,

remains the quintessential "soul in pain" whose jealousy translates into a monstrously ingenious plot to discredit the playboy-prodigy Mozart (Tom Hulce). Hulce is even better as little Wofie, whose insufferable court antics are as scandalous as his music is sublime. — G. Lovell. (R: bric nudity.) 2 hours, 58 minutes. **A**

**"A BEAUTIFUL MIND":** Very good by-the-book filmmaking from director Ron Howard. The film spans 47 years of the life of John Forbes Nash Jr. (Russell Crowe), a mathematical genius who won the Nobel Prize for economics in 1994. Doubtless the element that made Crowe want to play Nash (brilliantly, as usual) is that Nash also suffers from schizophrenia, and has for decades. During only in his subject matter — math and mental illness — the movie follows the careful trajectory of a classic inspirational story. — M. Pols. (PG-13: intense thematic materi-

al, sexual content and a scene of violence.) 2 hours, 8 minutes. **B+**

**"BLADE II":** Wesley Snipes returns as a half-man/half-vampire hero waging a blood feud against a race of full-blooded vampires in this sequel based on the Marvel comic book character. The film opens with Blade rampaging through legions of bloodsuckers in a mission to rescue his mentor, Whistler (Kris Kristofferson), who seemingly died in the first movie. Reunited, Blade and Whistler are reluctantly drawn into an alliance with the vampire overlord and his daughter to fight a new breed of super-vampires that threatens humans and regular bloodsuckers. As with the first film, the only way to get through "Blade II" is if there's a complete disconnection of that part of the brain that determines when something is really, really silly. — D. Germain. (R: strong pervasive violence, language, some drug use and sexual content.) 1

hour, 57 minutes. **C**

**"THE CATS MEOW":** Director Peter Bogdanovich has been in a slump, and his latest — a fictionalized account about the suspicious death of a movie producer aboard a yacht owned by newspaper mogul William Randolph Hearst — is no exception. Kirsten Dunst serves the film with her full-wattage performance as an actress who's the mistress of Hearst as well as the object of Charlie Chaplin's affections. The rest of the cast is ordinary at best in a movie that is trite and mechanical. — J. Matthews. (PG-13: sexually, violence, drug use.) 1 hour, 50 minutes. **C**

**"CHANGING LANES":** A film that dares to probe, intelligently, into some of those most essentially American issues, race and class, and simultaneously lays bare the moral lapses of both the privileged and the disgruntled. Ben Affleck and Samuel L. Jackson are both very good as opponents in a case of road rage gone wildly amok. With strong supporting work by Toni Collette and Amanda Peet. — M. Pols. (R: language.) 1 hour, 35 minutes. **B+**

**"CLOCKSTOPPERS":** Jesse Bradford stars as Zak, who is smitten by the new exchange student Francesca (Paula Garcés) and is pals with Meeker (Ganikay Mutamirwa). Zak's chances with the babe and his friend's chances at the big DJ competition improve when a hyper-time twist device falls into the hands of his bland second-dad and then into Zak's. It speeds up molecules so that its wearer and the wearer's friends (how convenient) are moving too fast for the rest of the world to see. The novel special effects are wasted on this comic thriller with few laughs and fewer thrills. — R. Moore. (PG: action, violence and mild language.) 1 hour, 34 minutes. **D+**

**"DEUCES WILD":** Basically a 1958 gang picture, mildly cloaked in nostalgia, where two groups of street punks — the Deuces and the Vipers — call each other names, spit and throw things and generally act like imbeciles. Stephen Dorff and Norman Reedus star as adversaries in this film that follows all of the genre's well-worn clichés, following the tragic heroes right up to the final, incoherent blood bath. The movie does attempt to inject a little brotherly pathos into the proceedings, but it's hard to get swept up in the numskull nostalgia that has these guys remembering the good old days. — G. Whipp. (R: strong violence, language, some drug content and brief sexuality.) 1 hour, 37 minutes. **D+**

**"DOGTOWN AND Z-BOYS":** This

## OPENING TODAY

**"CHELSEA WALLS" (R)**  
A movie set in the bohemian world of New York's famed Chelsea Hotel, a refuge for artists and writers throughout the years. The directorial debut of actor Ethan Hawke.  
**"THE COCKETTES" (NR)**  
Documentary about the flamboyant 1970s San Francisco musical troupe.  
**"MAELSTROM" (NR)**  
A successful woman's life is caught in a downward spiral after she's involved in a hit-and-run accident in which a Norwegian fishmonger dies. Winner of five Genies.  
**"THE NEW GUY" (PG-13)**  
A loser of a high school student (DJ Qualls) learns how to be "cool" from an unlikely role model — a con artist (Eddie Griffin).  
**"TIME OUT" (NR)**  
A French drama about a business-

documentary draws a straight line between a scruffy group of outlaw Southern California surfers and skateboarders of the 1970s and the pervasive modern extreme-sports movement. Certainly the Z-Boys story is compelling, and the vintage action footage that goes along with it is really something to see. But as graceful as this group is on the board, that's how graceless they tend to be off of it. They're defiant bad boys still boasting decades later about the fights they got into back in the day. Although director and co-writer Stacy Peralta, a Z-Boy himself, has created a clever visual package, a more impartial filmmaker might have understood the need for other voices to balance against all that attitude. — K. Thomas. (PG-13: language and some drug references.) 1 hour, 30 minutes. **C**

**"THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE RING":** A soulful, passionate giant of a movie, one that will live long past 2001. New Zealand director Peter Jackson's ("Heavenly Creatures") adaptation of the first third of J.R.R. Tolkien's epic "Lord of the Rings" enraptures you with its dramatic storytelling and visuals and leaves you re-joining that there are filmmakers out there who have the guts to make a movie destined for vast commercial success that's also intelligent and fearlessly heartfelt. One of the best movies of the year. — M. Pols. (PG-13: epic battle sequences and scary images.) 2 hours, 58 minutes. **A**

**"GOSFORD PARK":** There are no tuts or tight fits in this comic murder mystery from director Robert Altman, but make no mistake, this is ballet on film. Every aspect, from its ultimate ensemble cast to the meticulous re-

creation of the staid English gone by, could have been obvious, but instead it emerges unphased, spinning together as a stage full of points, moving in unison. It's 1932 and time for the genre. Altman's cast whirls and races along the moneyed upstairs of an estate and the still respected, increasingly resentful country hasn't been this good.

M. Pols. (R: some sexuality.) 2 hours, 17 minutes. **"HIGH CRIMES"** Byline thriller, complete with that's supposed to be a twist doesn't since it's been here since the beginning. Altman plays her usual feisty snappy lawyer who takes a fense of her husband. When he's put on trial in court for a heinous war, allegedly committed in 1942, not pushing herself as she's got some fun from the picture's medocrity of the presence of Morgan playing a recovering addict, a play with a sly sense of Amanda Peet has a genuine supporting role as Judith, younger sister. — M. Pols. (R: language, sexual content, violence.) 1 hour, 55 minutes. **"HOLLYWOOD ENDING"** Alien used to be a genre used. We meet him as he washed-up Oscar-winning actor Val Kilmer, now

## FRIDAY MOVIE LISTINGS

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Showtimes for Friday May 10

## Alameda County

## Act 1 and 2

2128 Center Street, Berkeley 510-843-3456  
Time Out (PG-13) 8:45, 9:30.  
Y Tu Mama Tambien (Not Rated) 7, 9:45.

## Albany Twin

1115 Solano Ave., Albany 510-843-3456  
Monsoon Wedding (R) 7, 10.  
The Cat's Meow (PG-13) 6:45, 9:30.

## California Theatre

2113 Kittredge St., Berkeley 510-843-3456  
Theatre temporarily closed.

## Century 16 Bayfair Mall

350 Bayfair Mall, San Leandro 510-276-5694  
Blade II (R) 12:30, 3:05, 5:35, 8, 10:25.  
Changing Lanes (R) 11:50, 2:35, 4:55, 7:20, 10:05.  
Deuces Wild (R) 12, 2:20, 4:40, 7:25, 9:50.  
Ice Age (PG) 12:20, 1:20, 2:20, 3:20, 5:25.  
Jason X (R) 12:40, 2:50, 5:15, 7:55, 10:10.  
Life or Something Like It (PG-13) 11:30, 1:55, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45.  
Murder by Numbers (R) 11:40, 2:25, 5:05, 7:45, 10:25.  
Panic Room (R) 7:35, 10:15.  
Spider-Man (PG-13) 11:15, 11:45, 12:15, 12:45, 1:10, 1:35, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:30, 3:55, 4:20, 4:50, 5:20, 5:50, 6:20, 6:45, 7:10, 7:40, 8:10, 8:40, 9:10, 9:35, 10, 10:30.  
The New Guy (PG-13) 12:20, 2:45, 5:10, 7:30, 9:55.  
The Scorpion King (PG-13) 12:10, 2:40, 4:45, 7, 9:25.  
Unfaithful (R) 11:25, 2:15, 5, 7:50, 10:35.

## Century 25 Union City Landing

32100 Alvarado Blvd., Union City 510-487-9593  
Blade II (R) 10:30, 2:50, 7:15, 11:40.  
Changing Lanes (R) 10:15, 11:35, 12:35, 1:55, 3, 4:30, 5:25, 7:05, 8, 9:25, 10:20, 11:45.  
Deuces Wild (R) 10:05, 12:20, 2:40, 5, 7:25, 9:45, 12:10.  
High Crimes (PG-13) 11:10, 1:40, 4:35, 7:15, 9:55.  
Hollywood Ending (PG-13) 11:30, 2:15, 4:55, 7:30, 10:10.  
Ice Age (PG) 11:45, 1:50, 4:10, 6:15, 8:20, 10:25.  
Jason X (R) 12:50, 5:10, 9:35.  
Life or Something Like It (PG-13) 11:20, 1:45, 4:25, 7:05, 9:30, 12:05.  
Murder by Numbers (R) 11:25, 2:20, 5:05, 7:55, 10:40.  
Panic Room (R) 11:55, 2:35, 5:10, 7:50, 10:25.  
Spider-Man (PG-13) 10, 10:25, 10:50, 11, 11:15, 11:40, 12, 12:20, 12:45, 1:10, 1:35, 1:45, 2, 2:25, 2:45, 3:05, 3:30, 3:55, 4:20, 4:35, 4:50, 5:20, 5:45, 7:10, 7:25, 7:40, 8:05, 8:25, 8:45, 9:10, 9:35, 10.  
The New Guy (PG-13) 11:20, 1:30, 3:45, 6, 8:15, 10:30.  
The Scorpion King (PG-13) 10, 10:45, 12:15, 1, 2:30, 3:15, 4:45, 5:30, 7, 7:45, 9:15, 10:05, 11:30, 12:15.  
The Sweetest Thing (R) 11:10, 1:20, 3:25, 5:30, 7:35, 9:50, 11:55.  
Unfaithful (R) 11:15, 12:30, 2:15, 3:40, 5:05, 7, 9:50, 10:40.  
Y Tu Mama Tambien (Not Rated) 12:10, 2:50, 5:20, 7:50, 10:15.

## Chabot Cinema

2853 Castro Valley Blvd., Castro Valley 510-582-2555  
Spider-Man (PG-13) 11, 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:15.

## Chabot Space &amp; Science Center

10000 Skyline Blvd., Oakland 510-336-7300  
Mysteries of Egypt (Not Rated) 12:30.  
The Living Sea (Not Rated) 11:30, 2:30.  
The Time Machine (PG-13) 7:30.  
To Be an Astronaut (Not Rated) 10:30.

## Elmwood 3

2566 College Ave., Berkeley 510-649-0530  
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) 6:45.  
Death to Smoochy (R) 7:05.  
Gosford Park (R) 4:15, 9:15.  
Lantana (R) 4:45, 9:25.  
No Man's Land (R) 7:20.  
The Royal Tenenbaums (R) 4:40, 9:20.

## Fine Arts Cinema

2451 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley 510-848-1143  
Straight Outta Hunters Point (Not Rated) 9:15.  
Underground Zero / 9-11 Project Part I (Not Rated) 7:15.

## Renaissance Grand Lake Theatre

3200 Grand Avenue, Oakland 510-452-3535  
Hollywood Ending (PG-13) 1, 4:30, 7:15, 9:45.  
Spide & Mike's 25th Anniversary (Not Rated) 12, 2, 4, 6, 8, 1.  
The Scorpion King (PG-13) 11:40, 1:35, 3:30, 5:30, 7:30, 10.  
Unfaithful (R) 12:30, 3:45, 7, 9:30.

## Jack London Cinema

100 Washington, Oakland 510-433-1320  
Changing Lanes (R) 11:40, 2:15, 4:45, 7:10, 9:40.  
Deuces Wild (R) 11:30, 2, 5, 7:35, 10.  
My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) 11:10, 1:50, 4:35, 7:20, 10:05.  
Spider-Man (PG-13) 10:45, 11:45, 12:45, 1:30, 2:30, 3:30, 4:15, 5:15, 6:15, 7, 8, 9, 9:45, 10:45, 11:45, 12:15.  
The New Guy (PG-13) 11:35, 2:05, 4:30, 7:15, 9:35.  
The Scorpion King (PG-13) 11, 1:20, 3:40, 6, 8, 10:20, 10:35.  
Unfaithful (R) 11:05, 1:55, 4:50, 7:45, 10:40.

## Hayward 9

19901 Hesperian Blvd., Hayward 510-785-8000  
A Beautiful Mind (PG-13) 11, 1:50, 4:40, 7:30, 10:20.  
Deuces Wild (R) 11, 2, 4:15, 7, 9:40.  
Ice Age (PG) 12:20, 1:40, 4:10.  
Jason X (R) 11:10, 1:30, 4:20, 6, 8, 10:20.  
Life or Something Like It (PG-13) 11:15, 2,

## 4:30, 7:20, 9:50.

Murder by Numbers (R) 11:40, 2:20, 5, 7:40, 10:15.  
The Rookie (G) 11:30, 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:10.  
The Scorpion King (PG-13) 11:30, 1:20, 1:45, 2:30, 4, 4:45, 7, 7:50, 9:30, 10.  
The Sweetest Thing (R) 7:10, 9:20.

## Naz 8 Cinemas

39400 Argonaut Way, Fremont 510-797-2000  
Aankhen (Not Rated) 5.  
Apur Mujhe Achche Lagne Lage (Not Rated) 5.  
Company (Not Rated) 9.  
NAY JIAN XIAO HUN (Not Rated) 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.  
Pyaar Dowaale Hota Hai (Not Rated) 9.  
Tumhe Meri Hone, Tumse Achcha Kahun Hai (Not Rated) 5.  
Wings of Hope (Not Rated) 5, 7.

## Renaissance Oaks Theatre

1875 Solano Avenue, Berkeley 510-526-1836  
Hollywood Ending (PG-13) 7, 9:30.  
Unfaithful (R) 7:15, 9:45.

## Parkway Theatre

1834 Park Blvd., Oakland 510-814-2400  
Lantana (R) 7.  
Monsters Ball (R) 9:40.  
Panic Room (R) 5:30.  
The Ring of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring (PG-13) 8.

## Piedmont Theatre

4186 Piedmont Ave., Oakland 510-843-3456  
Amelie (R) 1:30, 6:30.  
Kissing Jessica Stein (R) 2:20, 4:40, 7:10, 9:35.  
The Cat's Meow (PG-13) 1:45, 4:15, 6:45, 9:15.  
Y Tu Mama Tambien (Not Rated) 2, 4:30, 7, 9:30.

## Shattuck Cinemas

2220 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley 510-843-3456  
Amelie (R) 1:05, 3:35, 6:35.  
Changing Lanes (R) 2, 4:15, 6:50, 9:20.  
Dogtown and Z-Boys (PG-13) 1, 3:15, 5:20, 7:30, 9:40.  
Italian for Beginners (R) 2:10, 4:30, 6:55, 9:10.  
Kissing Jessica Stein (R) 2:20, 4:40, 7:10, 9:35.  
Monsters Ball (R) 4:20, 10.  
My Big Fat Greek Wedding (PG) 2:40, 4:55, 7:05, 9:15.  
Nine Queens (R) 1:35, 7:20.  
The New Guy (PG-13) 2:30, 4:50, 7:15, 9:45.  
The Piano Teacher (Not Rated) 1:20, 4:10, 7, 9:50.  
The Scorpion King (R) 9:25.  
The Triumph of Love (PG-13) 1:10, 3:45, 6:40, 9:30.

## United Artists Berkeley

2274 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley 510-843-1487  
Chelsea Walls (R) 11:05, 2:05, 4:50, 7:35, 10:20.  
Deuces Wild (R) 11, 1:40, 4:25, 7:05, 9:45.  
Jason X (R) 2:30, 7:50.  
Life or Something Like It (PG-13) 11:20, 2:20, 5:10, 7:55, 10:30.  
Murder by Numbers (R) 11:10, 4:55, 10:15.  
Spider-Man (PG-13) 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9:40, 10:40.  
The Scorpion King (PG-13) 11:30, 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 10:10.

## United Artists Emery Bay 10

6330 Christie, Emeryville 510-420-0107  
Changing Lanes (R) 11:50, 2:30, 5:10, 7:40, 10:10.  
Deuces Wild (R) 11:40, 2:20, 5:15, 8, 10:30, 12:30.  
Life or Something Like It (PG-13) 11:10, 4:30, 7, 9:30, 13:40.  
Spider-Man (PG-13) 10:30, 11, 1:20, 1:50, 4:10, 4:40, 7, 7:30, 9:50, 10:20, 12:30.  
The New Guy (PG-13) 11:15, 1:30, 3:45, 5:55, 8:15, 10:30, 12:30.  
The Scorpion King (PG-13) 11:30, 2, 4:50, 7:20, 10, 12:30.  
Unfaithful (R) 10:40, 1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 10.

## United Artists Hayward 6

24800 Hesperian, Hayward 510-786-3000  
Changing Lanes (R) 12:45, 3:10, 5:30, 8, 10:20.  
Spider-Man (PG-13) 1, 1:30, 4, 4:30, 7, 7:30, 9:45, 10:10.  
The New Guy (PG-13) 12:15, 2:30, 4:45, 7:20, 9:30.  
The Other Side of Heaven (PG) 12:20, 2:50, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15.  
Unfaithful (R) 1:15, 4:15, 7:10, 10.

## Central Contra Costa

## Renaissance Orinda Theatre

4 Orinda Theatre Sq., Orinda 925-254-9050  
Hollywood Ending (PG-13) 7:15, 9:45.  
Spider-Man (PG-13) 7, 9:30.  
The Cat's Meow (PG-13) 8:30, 9.

## Renaissance Park Theatre

3519 Glendale Gate Way, Lafayette 925-283-7997  
The Piano Teacher (Not Rated) 7, 9:40.

## Rheem Theatre

350 Park St., Moraga 925-988-3411  
Big Fat Lie (PG) 4:50, 7:40, 9:30.  
Monsoon Wedding (R) 4:40, 7:20, 9:45.  
The Rookie (G) 4:20, 7, 9:30.  
Unfaithful (R) 4:30, 7:10, 9:40.

## West Contra Costa

## Century 16 Hilltop

3200 Klose Way, Richmond 510-758-2345  
Blade II (R) 9:55.  
Changing Lanes (R) 12:35, 3:05, 5:40, 7:55, 10:35.  
Clockstoppers (PG) 11:35, 2:20.  
Deuces Wild (R) 12:30, 3:15, 5:45, 8, 10:15.  
Ice Age (PG) 11:25, 1:30, 3:35, 5:36, 7:30.  
Jason X (R) 11:50, 2:15, 5:05, 7:55, 10:25.  
Life or Something Like It (PG-13) 4:35, 7:15, 9:40.  
Murder by Numbers (R) 2:20, 10:30.  
Panic Room (R) 11:40, 5, 8.  
Spider-Man (PG-13) 11:15, 11:45, 12:15, 12:45, 1:10, 1:35, 2, 2:30, 3, 3:30, 3:55, 4:20, 4:50, 5:20, 5:50, 6:20, 6:45, 7:10, 7:40, 8:10, 8:40, 9:10, 9:35, 10, 10:30.  
The New Guy (PG-13) 11:25, 1:40, 3:50, 6:55, 8:15, 10:20.  
The Scorpion King (PG-13) 11:20, 1, 1:45, 3:10, 4:25, 5:40, 7:10, 7:55, 9:30, 10:25.  
Unfaithful (R) 11:15, 1:55, 4:45, 7:45, 10:35.

## San Francisco

## AMC Van Ness 14

1000 Van Ness Avenue, San Francisco 415-922-4262  
Changing Lanes (R) 2:15, 4:45, 7:25, 9:50, 12:20.  
Deuces Wild (R) 12:30, 3, 5:30, 8, 10:30, 12:45.  
Dogtown and Z-Boys (PG-13) 12, 2:30, 5, 7:15, 9:30, 11:45.  
Hollywood Ending (PG-13) 1:15, 5:05, 7:50, 10:50.  
Ice Age (PG) 1:10, 3:20, 5:25, 7:35.  
Life or Something Like It (PG-13) 1:25, 4:10, 7:50, 10:25.  
Panic Room (R) 2:10, 5:20, 8:05, 10:45.  
Spider-Man (PG-13) 12:15, 1, 1:45, 3:15, 4, 4:45, 6:15, 7, 7:45, 9:15, 10, 10:45, 12:15, 1.  
The Rookie (G) 3:15, 7:05, 10:40.  
The Scorpion King (PG-13) 12, 1:30, 2:30, 4:20, 5:15, 7:40, 10:15, 12:40.  
The Sweetest Thing (R) 2:20, 4:35, 7.

## AMC Kabuki 8

1881 Post Street, San Francisco 415-931-9800  
Changing Lanes (R) 1:20, 4:20, 7:20, 9:40.  
Deuces Wild (R) 1:55, 5:15, 7:55, 10:25.  
Jason X (R) 1:55.  
Murder by Numbers (R) 1:30, 5:05, 8:05.  
Spider-Man (PG-13) 1, 1:45, 4, 4:45, 7, 7:45, 10, 10:45, 12:25.  
The Ring of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring (PG-13) 12:40, 4:30, 8:20.  
The New Guy (PG-13) 2:10, 4:55, 7:30, 9:50, 12:10.  
Unfaithful (R) 1:10, 4:10, 7:10, 10:10, 12:35.

## Bridge Theatre

3010 Geary Blvd., San Francisco 415-352-0818  
The Cat's Meow (PG-13) 1:45, 4:20, 7, 9:40.

## Castro Theatre

429 Castro St., San Francisco 415-621-6120  
The Cockettes (Not Rated) 7, 9:30.

## Clay Theatre

2261 Fillmore Street, San Francisco 415-352-0810  
Amelie (R) 1:20, 4:10, 7, 9:50.

## Embarcadero Center Cinema

1 Embarcadero Center, San Francisco 415-352-0810  
Kissing Jessica Stein (R) 1, 4:30, 7:10, 9:30.  
Monsoon Wedding (R) 12, 2:30, 5, 7:30, 10.  
Nine Queens (R) 1:30, 4:10, 7, 9:40.  
Y Tu Mama Tambien (Not Rated) 12:20, 1:10, 2:30, 3:10, 6:45, 7:20, 10:10.

## Lumiere Theatre

1572 California St., San Francisco 415-352-0810  
Maelstrom (Not Rated) 12:50, 2:50, 5, 7:20, 9:40.  
Monsters Ball (R) 12, 2:30, 5:10, 7:40, 10.  
Time Out (PG-13) 1:30, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50.

## Opera Plaza Cinema

601 Van Ness Blvd., San Francisco 415-352-0810  
Amadeus: Director's Cut (R) 1, 4:45, 8:30.  
Italian for Beginners (R) 1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 9:50.  
The Piano Teacher (Not Rated) 1:10, 4, 6:50, 9:40.<



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Reviews

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basic instincts in "Inn of the Sixth Happiness" has been there such a narcissistic screen spectacle of white Christian chauvinism vs. the dark-skinned heathen, — J. Stuart. (PG: thematic elements and brief distasteful images) 1 hour, 53 minutes. **"PAINC ROOM":** Ignore the hype — and go see this thriller about a woman and her daughter trapped in their home with three male intruders. Star Jodie Foster is a superb match for director David Fincher ("Seven," "Fight Club"), who exols in showcasing the physical expression of the psychological interior. Foster, as freshly divorced Meg Altman, and her smart, bitter daughter Sarah (an excellent performance by Kristen Stewart) move into a four-story brownstone with a "panic room" — complete with a fire extinguisher, a gas mask, smoke monitors and independent air, water and electrical supply. They must resort to that room the very first night after three men (Jared Leto, Forest Whitaker, Dwight Yoakum) break in, and the standoff begins within the panic room. — V. Chan. (R: violence, language) 1 hour, 48 minutes. **THE PIANO TEACHER:** "A marvellously twisted movie about a dangerously repressed Viennese piano teacher (Isabelle Huppert) and her relationship with a talented young student (Benoit Magimel). He thinks he's taking a musi-

Yes, and no. The story has been expanded to present a motivation for the Time Traveler's (Guy Pearce) journey, a romance that the elder Welles might have scoffed at, or at the very least been bored by. On the other hand, some cool elements have been added, including several clever bits of homage to Pal's film and special effects that reflect how far the technology has come since 1960. — M. Pols, PG-13: intense scenes of action violence, 1 hour, 36 minutes. **B-**

**Y TU MAMÁ TAMBIÉN:** A captivatingly ruthless Mexican film from two teen-age boys and a sexy woman 10 years their senior on a road trip from Mexico City to a beautiful beach that may exist only in the boys' imaginations. Flush from their recent sexual adventures with their teen girlfriends, the boys (Diego Luna and Gael García Bernal) are cocky, audacious, and sure of themselves. They head off on the beach with a woman like Luisa (Maribel Verdú). Their true innocence is laid bare as the trip takes unexpected twists. The film manages to explore eroticism, class differences and the tumult of Mexican culture with a second of preachiness, and leaves us with the reminder that just because our eyes have been opened doesn't mean we won't slam them shut again. — M. Pols, NR: explicit sexual scenes and very strong language, 1 hour, 45 minutes. **A-**

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BERKELEY PUBLIC LIBRARY —

Free. 149 Shattuck Ave.,  
Berkeley. (510) 486-0698.

BEEBE MEMORIAL CME  
CHURCH —

"Organic," through June 14.  
New works from six Bay Area artists: Barbara Bobes, photography, Jean Hearst, watercolor and acrylic, Vannie Keightley, prints, Lynne Meade, ceramics, D.B. Porter, india ink/watercolor, and William Shinn, ceramics.

**SPECIAL EVENT —**  
"Jazz Night," through June 28. Four music events to benefit the ACCI Retrofit project. \$10.

May 24, 8 p.m.: The Bob Schoen Quintet featuring Cheryl McBride.

Free. Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Friday, 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. 1652

**MEDIA NOTES:** One Hills reader/spy e-mails that he almost had to pull off the road because he was laughing so hard recently when KGO Radio's top exec, Mickey Luckoff, announced in an editorial railing against gas prices and

Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. (510)  
843-2527 or  
[www.accigallery.com](http://www.accigallery.com)

**ALAMEDA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING —**  
**"Art Through the Eyes of a Child,"** through May 31. Original oils, watercolors and sketches by foster children in Alameda County. The artists range in age from 9 to 16 years old. Sponsored by the Alameda County Social Services Agency and the Alameda County Art Commission.

Free. Alameda County Administrative Offices, 1221 Oak St., Fifth Floor, Suite 536, Oakland.

ARDENCY GALLERY —  
"Re: Figuration," May 10  
through June 8. New sculpture  
and paintings by Jody Sears  
and Michele Ramirez.

Opening Reception: May 11.  
5 p.m. to 8 p.m.  
Free. Tuesday through Sat-  
urday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. 709  
Broadway, Oakland. (510) 836-  
0831 or [www.ardencvart.com](http://www.ardencvart.com)

GRADUATE THEOLOGICAL UNION

"Figuras Fantasticas! The Pottery of Ocumicho," through May 31. Complementing "The Image of Evil in Art" exhibition is a library case of the imaginative Mexican pottery made in the village of Ocumicho, known for its playful devil figures.

"The Image of Evil in Art," through May 31. An exploration of the depiction of evil including the fearful and loathsome creatures of medieval art, the seductive satanic figures of the 19th century, the monstrous human and animal forms of the 20th century and the folk art of Latin America where the devils

Free. Monday through Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 10 p.m.;

And speaking of great women, Happy Mother's Day!

Questions? Comments? E-mail  
Bill at [newsman@sonic.net](mailto:newsman@sonic.net)

Friday, 8:30 p.m. to 10 p.m.;  
Saturday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sun-  
day, noon to 7 p.m. Flora Lam-  
son Hewlett Library, 2400  
Ridge Road, Berkeley. (510)  
649-2540 or (510) 649-2541.

**HALL OF PIONEERS  
GALLERY —**  
"Oakland Chinatown Pioneers," open-ended. Twelve showcases each focusing on historic leaders and personalities of the community.

Free. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Chinese Garden Building, 275 Seventh St., Oakland. (510) 530-4590.

MILLS COLLEGE ART MUSEUM —  
 "Mills Master of Fine Arts  
 Exhibition 2002," through May  
 26. Works by 10 artists.

Free. Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. 5000 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland. (510) 430-2164 or [www.mills.edu/MCAM/mcam.home.html](http://www.mills.edu/MCAM/mcam.home.html)

OAKLAND MUSEUM OF  
CALIFORNIA'S GALLERY 555

— "Dennis Leon: Perpetual Objects," through June 10. Large-scale sculptures and collage drawings by the nationally and internationally-acclaimed artist and educator.

Free. Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. 555 City Center, 555 12th St., Oakland. (510) 238-2200 or [www.museumca.org](http://www.museumca.org)

POTTER'S STUDIO —  
"Annual Spring Sale Event,"  
May 11 and May 12, 10 a.m. to  
6 p.m. Featuring the work of 1  
local potters and ceramic  
artists

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## Events

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**PRO ARTS GALLERY** —  
"The 20th Annual East Bay Open Studios 2002 Exhibit," through June 9. An exhibition and self-guided tour of artists' workspaces. The region's longest running and largest open studio event, featuring 500 artists at 400 locations. The exhibit features sample works by the participating artists.

**Artists' Reception:** May 30, 7 p.m. Free.

**Self-Guided Tours:** June 1, June 2, June 8 and June 9, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Free. Wednesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. 461 Ninth St., Oakland. (510) 763-9425 or [www.proartsgallery.org](http://www.proartsgallery.org)

# **RICHMOND ART CENTER**

"Youth Vision: Annual Celebration of Young Artists," closing May 10. Artwork by West Contra Costa Unified School District middle and senior high school students.

Free. Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Saturday, noon to 4:30 p.m. 2540 Barrett Ave., Civic Center Plaza, Richmond. (510) 620-6772 or [www.richmondart-center.org](http://www.richmondart-center.org)

# **ROYAL GROUND GALLERY**

"Artful Spring," through June 30. Paintings, photography and vessels by Kay Athos, Joyce Blegen, Lorraine Bruce, Norma Andersen Fox, Rachel Landes, Mei-Yu Lo, Lynda Robinson and Shirley Warwick. Guest artists: Tanna Belia and Nancy M. Friedman.

Free. Daily, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. 2058 Mountain Blvd., Oakland. (510) 339-0348.

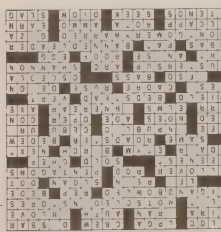
**SWANS MARKETPLACE WINDOWS EXHIBITS PROJECT** — In order to bring fine art to Oakland's 10th and Washington St., this mural project utilizes the windows of an unleased store front.

"Voices," through June 2. Works by Daniel de Solar, Biliana Stremka, Silvia Sussman, Vicky Schlep, Eric Groff, Bill Dallas, Leon Kennedy and TheArthur Wright.

Free. Tenth and Washington Streets, Oakland. (510) 832-4244.

**TRAYWICK GALLERY** — "Between Days," May 18 through June 15. An exhibition of works by Charles Goldman, including drawings, paintings and sculpture.

Opening Reception: May 18,



6 p.m. to 8 p.m.  
Free. Tuesday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. 1316 10th St., Berkeley. (510) 527-1214 or [www.traywick.com](http://www.traywick.com).

# **Museums**

## **AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM AND LIBRARY**

"Golden Road to Freedom: The African Legacy in California, 1775-1900," ongoing. An exhibit focusing on the role that people of African descent played in later expeditions and settlements before the annexation of California.

"The West Oakland Senior Citizen Oral History Project," ongoing. A visual and oral exhibit capturing the history of some of West Oakland's senior treasures in 51 black and white photographs and recorded conversations. Featuring Dr. Marcella Ford, Ruth Beckford, Anthony Martinez, Alonzo Fields and more.

Free. Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 5:30 p.m. 659 14th St., Oakland. (510) 637-0200 or [www.oaklandlibrary.org](http://www.oaklandlibrary.org)

# **EBONY MUSEUM OF ARTS**

A museum specializing in the art and history of Africa. The collection, which was on display in the museum's Jack London Village branch, has been incorporated with the material in the 14th Street Victorian Museum building, the site of the original museum.

Free admission; \$2 guided tour. Monday through Saturday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. 1034 14th St., Oakland. (510) 763-0141.

# **GOLDEN STATE MODEL RAILROAD MUSEUM**

— through December. The museum features extensive displays of operating model railroads constructed by the East Bay Model Engineers Society.

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\$3 general; \$2 seniors and children under age 12; \$7 family maximum. Saturday and Sunday, noon to 5 p.m. Miller-Knox Regional Shoreline, 900-A Dornan Drive, Point Richmond. (510) 234-4884 or [www.gsrmr.org](http://www.gsrmr.org)

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# **NEW YORK TIMES MAGAZINE CROSSWORD PUZZLE**

## **PASSED TENSE**

By PATRICK BERRY/Edited by WILL SHORTZ

<b>ACROSS</b>	<b>DOWN</b>	<b>ACROSS</b>	<b>DOWN</b>
1 Nonaligned nations, e.g.	46 One who takes orders	94 Like McCartney's guitar in the Beatles	5 Dances to W.V. Il-er music
5 Sports org. founded in 1950	47 "Love and Death on Long Island" writer Gilbert	96 Seminole leader	6 "No ___"
9 Hands	48 Dict. info	98 Calls on, as strength	7 Swamp critter
13 Kick out, in a way	52 Switch material	101 Semicircle	8 Fish
19 Maltese monetary unit	54 Casting director's dismissal	104 1996 Olympics gold medalist	9 First day of the month, in ancient Rome
20 Modern home of ancient Suez	57 Corresponding	105 Word with white or worker	10 Like past mistakes
21 Datum in a lib. search	59 Open car	106 Period's flavor	11 Stat. subject to delay
22 Moonstruck	61 Get the drop on?	107 It may be pitched	121 P.C.?
23 Got down	62 Semicircle	109 Pudding ingredient	13 Telegram
24 Like homemade shoes?	64 For all to see	110 Wall St. types	14 Verb type. Abbr.
27 Like a brawny kegler's ball?	66 Island visited by Magellan, 1521	112 Too simple	15 Undesirable roomie
29 Certain theater, for short	68 Swiss canton	113 Idi Amin or Jean-Claude Duvalier?	16 Like school dropout?
30 Theologian who started the custom of dating events from the birth of Christ	69 Like winterberries	118 Succinct description of the battle at el-Alamein?	17 One-time Vogue photographer
31 Floral accessory	70 Turned down	121 Cairo suburb	18 Puts at 0, maybe
32 Driver's line	71 Drink suffix	122 Manny Yorum's creator	25 Hedgepodge
33 "McSorley's Bar" painter	72 Button below the 8	123 Italian composer	26 Kind of sign
35 Mose "E"	73 One kept in the cooler	124 Rounds	28 Untouched, as ore?
36 Everywhere	74 Mary ___, on whose story "All About Eve" is based	125 Make	33 50/50, say
40 Towel holder	75 Colonnade trees	126 Canal site	34 A Minor Prophet: Abbr.
43 Most intense	76 Get rid of	127 Nose out	36 Piece of sheet letters
44 Auction cry	79 Exercise	128 "The Wanderer" singer, 1961	37 Managed
	81 Canopy site, maybe		38 Mercenaries, at times?
	83 Heraldic shade		39 Hwy. sign abbr.
	85 Rucky's portwyer		42 ___ pool
	86 Training staff		45 More objectionable
	87 Dodge		49 Fellows bound hand and foot?
	89 Think fit		50 Teenage hothead, in British slang
	92 Should be the case		51 Lecherous feelings
			53 Sometime dessert item

Answers to crossword puzzle on page C7.

May. An exhibit structured around the seasons of the year and the seasons of life with objects ranging from the sacred and the secular, to the provocative and the whimsical. Highlights from Jewish and other cultures such as Tibetan and Mexican-American include treasures from ceremonial and folk art, rare books and manuscripts, contemporary and traditional fine art, video, photography and cultural kitsch.

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# **MUSEE DES HOMMAGES**

"Masterworks Copies by Guy Colwell," ongoing. A new museum of masterwork recreations of famous European paintings handpainted by master California artist Colwell. The paintings, which cover a wide spectrum of European paintings from Van Eyck in the 15th century to Picasso in the 20th century, are full-scale, faithful copies of works by famous artists of the past, created in an attempt to understand the secrets of these great artists. The museum does not have regular hours so call ahead when planning a visit.

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# **THE OAKLAND MUSEUM OF CALIFORNIA**

"Scene in Oakland, 1852-2002: Artworks Celebrating the City's 150th Anniversary," through Aug. 25. An exhibition of paintings, drawings, watercolors and photographs dating from 1852 to 2002 featuring views of Oakland by 48 Californian artists.

"Being There: 45 Oakland Artists," closing May 12. An invitational exhibition featuring works in a variety of media, including painting, sculpture, photography and mixed media by contemporary artists who live and/or work in Oakland.

"The Rustler Ranch Mastodon Project," ongoing. Visitors are invited to watch staff members of the Natural Sciences Department prepare a

nearly complete mastodon for exhibit. Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

**SPECIAL EVENTS** — Free with museum admission unless noted otherwise.

"Annual California Wildflower Show," May 11 and May 12. An exhibit of 150 species of wildflowers collected from the Sierra foothills. Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday, noon to 5 p.m.

Wayne Wallace Latin Jazz Quintet, May 12, 1:30 p.m. A Mother's Day concert sponsored by the Art, History and Natural Sciences Guilds of the museum.

"Online Museum days," 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. videodisks in the History Department Library.

# **TOURS**

Docent Gallery Tours day and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Art a la Carte, docents offer a variety of specialized tours focusing on aspects of the museum's permanent collection. May 12, 12:30 p.m. Free with admission.

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See EVENTS, Page C7.

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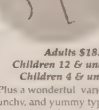
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"Hans Hofmann: Real/Life," through May 26. This exhibition in the Museum's Hofmann Gallery explores the sources of Hofmann's understanding of "the real" in abstract painting through comparisons with works by other modern artists including Wassily Kandinsky, Robert Delaunay and Alexej von Jawlensky.

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"Native California Cultures," ongoing. This is a permanent exhibit of some 500 artifacts from the museum's California collections, the largest and most comprehensive collections in the world devoted to California Indian cultures. The exhibit includes a section about Ishii, the famous Indian who lived and worked with the museum, Yana tribal baskets and a 17-foot Yurok canoe carved from a single redwood.

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## Classic Classics: Restored school bus returns to grandson [D4]

ERD SHULDINER  
Down the Road

### Subaru arches to own beat

MOTOR MATTERS

Being copied through-  
out the industry, Subaru's all-  
terrain lineup has not been out-  
rightly bigger carmakers. The  
maker of crossover utility ve-  
hicles, the Outback, has grown  
from a small Subaru from growing  
into an ultra-competitive  
player. Subaru has attained an  
aura and a cult-like following  
among engineering vehicles.  
The term "crossover" was  
coined to define vehicles that fall  
between cars and  
crossover vehicles are built  
on a chassis and offer many ad-  
vantages over full-blown SUVs built  
on a truck chassis. Handling, fuel  
economy and ease of entry are but  
a few advantages crossovers have  
over SUVs. Subaru's Outback, in-  
troduced in 1994, was the first of  
its kind and is a big reason why  
it has managed to thrive in  
the market.

Subaru's debut in 1997 created  
the SUV segment. Its sales  
have grown despite new models  
from other automakers. Strong  
sales from the Ford Escape,  
Toyota RAV4 and Toyota Forester's popularity.  
The second-generation 2003  
Outback, recently introduced, is not  
just a new model, but a new  
generation. It has a dozen evolutionary  
improvements that improve its per-  
formance and durability that

the ROAD, Page D2



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## Lincoln Town Car features numerous improvements

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The Lincoln Town Car has al-  
ways enjoyed the reputation of of-  
fering comfort, roominess, safety  
and prestige. The new 2003 model  
contains all those features and more  
— much more.

This car has more than just a  
face-lift: The hood is redesigned,  
the sides and fenders are restyled  
and the interior contains more pas-  
senger space. Yet the appearance  
remains unmistakably a Lincoln  
Town Car.

Some improvements are subtle,  
others more obvious. A subtle ex-

ample is the grille, which is now  
more upright, and the Lincoln em-  
blem has returned as a hood orna-  
ment. At night, the headlamps  
can be seen as an obvious change  
for the halogen lamps are much  
brighter.

The Town Car now has 17-inch  
tires on aluminum wheels, giving  
this full-size car a more balanced  
appearance. The trunk lid now  
opens and closes simply by press-  
ing the key fob. Storage space is  
enormous. Town Cars are com-  
monly used as limousines trans-  
porting passengers and luggage

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from airports. The main reasons this  
car is favored by limousine drivers:  
durability and dependability.

Throughout the entire sedan  
new storage areas can be found  
with pouches on the driver and pas-  
senger seat cushion, as well as on  
the backrest of the seats. The doors  
and armrests have deep bins.  
Seems no matter where I look, I find

storage space. The most interesting  
is the storage in the center console.  
The lid opens from two separate  
hinges giving easy access to both  
the driver and the front seat pas-  
senger. The glove box is bigger and  
cup holders fold out from the edge  
of the center seat.

As soon as I step into the driver's  
seat there is no doubt that I'm  
sitting behind the wheel of an up-  
scale luxury car. The interior has a  
touch of elegance with its wood trim  
accented by a thin strip of brushed  
satin aluminum running across the  
dash panel. The steering wheel is

a combination of leather and wood.  
My tester is the Signature model  
that weighs in at \$45,015. The Ex-  
ecutive model cost \$41,040 and the  
Cartier with the long wheelbase be-  
gins at \$51,470.

All are big cars, but to my sur-  
prise, my tester is very easy to han-  
dle and steer. This car can do a  
curb-to-curb turn in about 40 feet  
— the range of a midsize sedan. As  
a result of the easy turning, my  
tester is a delight to drive. It also  
handles well under the stress of

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# Acquire as much training as possible when you want to be an auto mechanic

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**Q** My son is thinking of beginning a career as an automotive technician. Can you fill us in on some of the pros and cons of doing this? What are the prospects? Is it recession-proof? Also, what sort of wages might he earn?

—Eric Provost, San Francisco

**A** The automotive service industry has gone through substantial changes in the past decade, and skilled technicians are in very high demand.

Before we get to wages, let me mention shops in our area charge between \$80 and \$110 per hour for customer labor, and wages and benefits are likely to be more attractive than in other areas.

Entry-level folks, with little or no training, generally begin as maintenance or utility techs, earning between \$8 and \$10 per hour. With several years' experience and demonstrated productivity, they may top at about \$15 per hour. Common jobs are mileage-based services and the three B's: belts, boots and brakes.

Next on the ladder are the apprentice or journeyman repair technicians, who have at least several years of experience and a moderate to high level of training. Wages run between \$13 and \$25 per hour with benefits. Common duties include repair/replacement of engines, clutches, transmis-

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Auto QnA

sions, suspension systems, brakes and accessories. These individuals are the backbone of a repair shop.

The highest skill level belongs to the diagnostic technicians. Substantial training and repair experience are needed to troubleshoot powertrain performance, emissions, body/chassis electronics and other systems.

Because more than 95 percent of a typical vehicle is electronically controlled by complex mechanisms, these techs are in high demand. Wages can run from \$25 to \$45 per hour with benefits.

What are the pros of being a technician? Most love the challenge of fixing tough problems, and the opportunity to tweek and drive a variety of exciting vehicles. The skills a technician possesses are in demand in every part of the country, and cars break whether the economy is humming or not.

Many shops offer productivity and customer satisfaction bonuses. Compensation and recognition will surely increase when future vehicles become more complex.

The cons? The demands of productiv-

ity are frequently at odds with quality, and frustration can flare due to the wide range of vehicles encountered and limited or poor service information. Exposure to chemicals, burns, cuts and other physical dangers are a fact of life. Technicians also purchase their own tools, which can easily run to five figures.

I recommend that your son acquire as much training as possible before and after obtaining employment, and pursue ASE certification and state licensing in as many skill areas as possible.

Today's vehicles require less maintenance, but when they do break, diagnosis and repairs require substantial proficiency.

Prior training can launch your son directly into the repair or diagnostic skill areas, bypassing the maintenance level.

A longtime mathematics professor mentioned to me recently that his son, three years into the trade after completing the Ford ASSET training program, is loving every minute of his job — and making more money than his dad.

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# Chrysler driven to build clean car that emits water

BY MICHELLE KREBS  
MOTOR MATTERS

The Chrysler Group recently allowed reporters to test-drive its third-generation fuel cell concept, the Chrysler Town & Country Natrium. The vehicle and the test-drives of it demonstrate how far the automobile industry has come with alternative fuel vehicles and the innovative thinking going into them.

The Natrium minivan is equipped with fuel cells, devices that use hydrogen to generate electricity that, in turn, powers motors to propel the vehicle. Virtually every major automotive manufacturer has active fuel cell programs because they believe fuel cells will be the vehicle propulsion system of the future. The beauty of fuel cells is that they produce zero emissions — no greenhouse gases nor smog-forming compounds. The only emissions are water and water vapor.

Yet, one of the major challenges for fuel cell vehicles is the storing and infrastructure for hydrogen, the most abundant element on the planet. No hydrogen fueling station network exists. Compressed hydrogen requires bulky tanks; liquid hydro-

gen requires thick, insulated tanks to maintain it at -253 Celsius. Both involve keeping hydrogen at high pressures, which means it could explode on collision. Work is underway to make tanks safer.

Another option is to disassemble the hydrogen and store it in a metal sponge, which looks like a metal sponge. In this scenario, the hydrogen is chemically bonded to the metal and released when waste heat from the fuel cell is used. However, the metal sponge is not strong enough hydrogen to meet the energy needs.

Another possible scenario is creating hydrogen on board. Auto manufacturers are looking for reformers that could break hydrogen from common fuels like gasoline and ethanol for which an infrastructure exists. Reformers consume under-hood heat, but are complicated mechanisms that have yet been perfected.

At General Motors, which is

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## Road

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should help its sales grow in a market that gets more crowded by the month.

Available in two trim levels as the base Forester X and upscale XS models, the Forester's main attraction is its AWD performance. Subaru produces full-time AWD vehicles exclusively and the 2003 Forester actually offers two AWD systems. Both systems work seamlessly. You don't have to push any buttons or move any levers to engage AWD.

All-wheel-drive is not only an advantage on wet and slippery roads, but ensures stability on dry roads. There is less need for steering wheel corrections when you cruise down the road in AWD. The vehicle tracks better and helps negotiate sharp corners more easily than front or rear-drive vehicles.

The type of AWD in the Forester depends on the type of transmission the buyer selects. With the five-speed manual transmission comes the Continuous AWD. Active AWD comes in Foresters with a four-speed automatic transmission. Here's how

they work:

Continuous AWD utilizes a viscous coupling in a center differential mounted inside the transaxle case. The viscous coupling contains a series of opposing discs attached to the front and rear output shafts. The discs are covered with silicone fluid. During normal cruising, power is distributed equally between the front and rear wheels.

When a sensor detects slippage at the front or rear wheels, a rotational difference occurs between front and rear discs in the coupling. This action heats and thickens the silicone fluid causing a power transfer from the plates rotating faster (slipping wheels) to those rotating more slowly (the wheels with best traction). Once the slippage stops, all the disks resume rotating at the same speed. This action happens in fractions of a second and requires no intervention by the driver.

Active AWD uses a continuously variable transfer clutch contained in the transaxle tailshaft. Transferring power to slipping wheels develops in the clutch plates made of a friction material designed to handle loads generated during power transfer.

If the front wheels begin to slip, a transmission control module initiates an increase of hydraulic pressure on the transfer clutch. This action reduces slippage of the plates and transfers power to the rear wheels. As the front wheels regain traction, a module reduces pressure on the clutch, increasing slippage of the plates and transferring power to the front.

Forester is also equipped with a limited-slip rear differential that transfers power from one rear wheel as it starts to lose traction to the other wheel. For instance, if you drive into a curve and weight transfers to the outside wheel, the inside wheel might lose traction. The limited-slip system would then transfer power to the outside wheel because it has more grip, improving traction and handling.

Subaru is planning to expand its crossover vehicle lineup in the next few years. Its parent company in Japan, Fuji Heavy Industries Inc., is an alliance partner with GM. In a joint venture with the giant U.S. carmaker, Subaru will get a seven-passenger crossover vehicle that will increase its offerings in the segment. This should help Subaru maintain its icon status for AWD vehicles.

## Keane

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hard turns. This impression is reinforced by the power under the hood. A V8 engine producing 239 horsepower is capable of carrying a fully loaded vehicle with ease. The engine has 287 pound-feet of torque to provide quick acceleration upon demand.

In spite of all the power, the interior is very quiet. Lincoln engineers have improved the NVH or noise, vibration and harshness factors. That's been the key factor with all manufacturers in recent years as NVH reduction contributes to a better and quieter ride.

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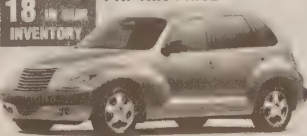


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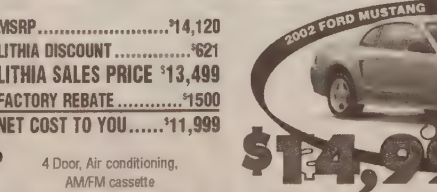
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# 1939 Chevy bus finds movie stardom, but stays humble

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The late Jesse Baker — better known as Jack — is doubly responsible for the survival of a 1939 Chevrolet bus since he bought it once and helped buy it a second time.

Jack was living in New Ross, Ind., after World War II when a neighboring school district replaced its 10-year-old school buses with new 1949 models. Recreational vehicles were barely a concept at that time. He purchased one of the old buses, a four-speed 1939 Chevrolet with five rows of double seats to accommodate 20 passengers.

After removing all the seats, Jack installed carpeting, curtains for the 19 windows, along with a couple of couches. After the conversion from bus to RV, the 216-cubic-inch, 85-horsepower stovebolt six-cylinder engine was checked out and found to be healthy.

The next year Jack took his 15-year-old son and a few friends and in the old Chevrolet on a two-month, 19-state hunting and fishing trip across the western United States. Upon returning, he moved to Lebanon, Ind., where the bus mostly sat, although it occasionally responded to parade duties.

In 1968, Darrell, the son, and Jack took the bus on a month-long trip through the southern United States. This time his grandson Darryl and his mother went along for the journey to Mississippi and back through Texas and Oklahoma.

Later on, whenever the grandson interrupted his schooling at Purdue for a visit to his grandfather, the old bus was always there. Over the years it had been painted yellow, tan, brown, white, gray and finally — in 1986 — burgundy. That's when Hollywood came calling and wanted to use the bus in the filming of "Hoosters."

"I think they offered Granddad \$800 for the use of the bus, and they painted it bur-

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gundy before returning it," Baker recalls. The interior "lounge" was replaced with school bus seats. Soon afterward, with the family scattered, Baker's grandfather, believing no family member was interested in the bus, sold it to a neighbor.

The younger Baker, now a Foreign Service officer with the State Department, was horrified. That bus was the one constant in the family history. After he returned from an overseas assignment in 1996, Baker visited Indiana and discovered the man who bought the bus had died. Baker paid the widow a visit and explained how his grandfather had sold the bus without knowing how much it meant to the family.

The sympathetic widow responded that she understood but that she had two other offers for the bus. The notoriety the bus had gained as a movie star had made it a desirable vehicle. Baker returned the next day with his 91-year-old grandfather Jack and the widow agreed to sell back the bus.

"His presence is what did it," Baker said. "He didn't say anything. He just had to be there." Now that he had the bus back, the problem was what to do with it since it hadn't been started in five years. An unlikely savior was found in Whiteside, Ind.

Terry Nichols is usually a racecar mechanic, but he agreed to tackle the strange task of restoring the 1939 bus to good health. After Nichols worked his mechanical magic, Dale Roll in English, Ind., finished the cosmetics. The task consumed three years. The 1939 Chevrolet engine in the bus was replaced with an improved 1955 version.

Rusted metal was cut out and healthy steel welded in place. New wiring was in-



A 1939 SCHOOL BUS, converted to an RV, and featured in a movie has been found and restored by grandson

stalled, a rear bumper attached and brass window channel guides were fabricated and installed. Each of the many side windows now operated smoothly with a turn of the thumbscrew handles.

"I love the reaction I get from people on the street," Baker said while driving his 8-foot-4-inch-tall bus that is 7 feet, 11 inches wide. It is almost 22 1/2 feet long. "It's an

event driving this thing," Baker explained as he double-clutched the four-speed transmission.

Above the windshield, which tilts out at the bottom for ventilation, is a pair of white clearance lights. Below the rear windows are a pair of large brake lights that when illuminated spell out "STOP."

The bus is based on a 1 3/8-ton

Chevrolet truck chassis with 14-inch tires in the front and 16-inch tires in the back. Baker went to August of 2000 to retrieve the bus and drive it 600 miles to be lived before going overseas. He says, "Everything works, and it doesn't."

## GM to study link between electronic gadgets and driver distraction

BY ALEJANDRO BODIPO-MEMBA  
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DETROIT — General Motors Corp. has entered a \$1.6 million, three-year program to study driver distraction.

With the proliferation of cellphones, vehicle navigation systems and consumer electronics in cars and trucks, driver distraction has become a concern for automakers and the federal government.

GM will help upgrade a driving simulator at the Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology at the University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana.

Their partnership, which runs through 2004, also will look into the effectiveness of strategies to improve drivers' cognitive, perceptual and motor skills.

"We want to come up with a way to measure the attention a driver is paying to the road in real time and to use that information to modify some of the products in our vehicles," said Jim Rillings, manager of vehicle information technologies at GM's Research & Development Center.

"This is part of our effort to better understand these issues and develop materials for safer drivers."

In the last seven years, the number of electronic devices available in cars has increased considerably. And with that escalation, anecdotal evidence has emerged to suggest drivers' attention is being diverted from the road more often than in years past.

There is no quantitative evidence that electronic gadgets in vehicles have increased the number of traffic accidents around the country, the federal government said.

"It is a concern of ours that has mushroomed over the last five years."

Rae Tyson, a spokesman for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

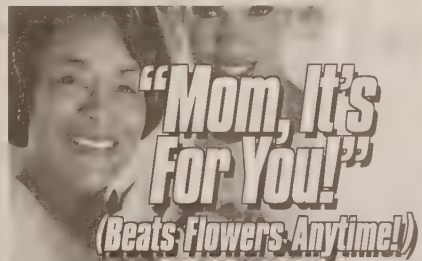
However, a 1997 study in the New England Journal of Medicine suggests that cell-phone use while driving could significantly increase a driver's risk for an accident.

In addition, recent traffic accidents in Washington, D.C., and in Orlando, Fla., involving alleged cellphone use have prompted the National Transportation Safety Board to begin investigating the

role cellphones play in some fatal accidents.

"It is a concern of ours that has mushroomed over the last five years," said Rae Tyson, a spokesman for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. "We don't have any good hard data, but it does seem like there is a potential for it to be a bigger problem today."

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innovative fuel-cell vehicle called the AUTOnomy at January's Detroit auto show, fuel storage is the highest priority. GM is looking at four or five approaches.

In Chrysler's Natrium (the Latin word for sodium), the fuel cell runs on sodium boro-hydride, a naturally occurring compound chemically related to borax. Yes, it is the same borax used in laundry detergent, including the one of the same name famous for the team of mules on the front of its box.

In the Town & Country Natrium, sodium boro-hydride is mixed in a tank on the vehicle where the gas tank might typically be. The mixture passes through a catalyst, which separates the hydrogen gas and leaves sodium boride, or borax, as a residue.

Theoretically, though the infrastructure doesn't currently exist, the vehicle could go to a fueling station to fill up on sodium boro-hydride and dump off the borax slurry residue, which could then be recycled.

Chrysler likes the borax alternative because the chemical is abundantly available around the world. Developing an infrastructure appears less challenging than for other fuels proposed for fuel cells. Sodium boro-hydride is non-toxic and nonflammable and can be recycled, potentially providing an endless supply.

In addition, a tank is about the size of a regular gas tank, which can power the concept vehicle about 300 miles, much further than that of other fuel-cell vehicles. By way of comparison, three tanks of hydrogen, like those Chrysler displayed at the test-drive, consume significantly more space and will take the vehicle only 190 miles.

The Natrium sounds and feels like an electric car. Instead of an engine, one hears the whir of the fuel cell operating and the occasional sound of the device mixing the solution or the hiss of a release valve that emits hydrogen when the system has created too much hydrogen. The only emission is the drip of water from the tailpipe.

It may not be the final answer for fuel cells, noted Bernard Robertson, Chrysler's senior vice president of engineering technologies and regulatory affairs, but it is an innovative approach that is worth pursuing.

Indeed, Chrysler will continue work on the Natrium with its fuel cell partner, Ballard/CELLSIS, of Vancouver, Canada, and Millennium Cell Inc., of Eatontown, N.J., which developed the Natrium's Hydrogen on Demand system to produce the hydrogen from sodium boro-hydride.

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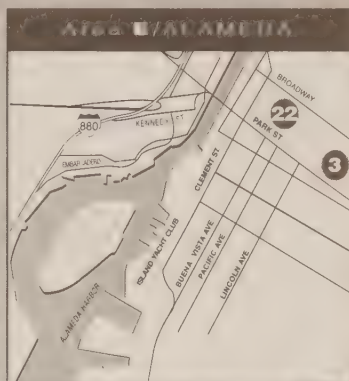
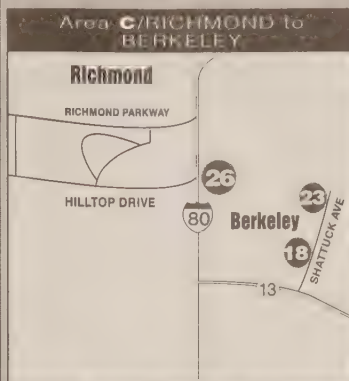
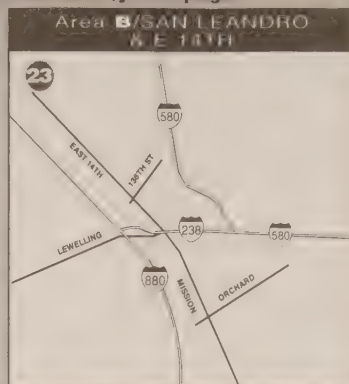
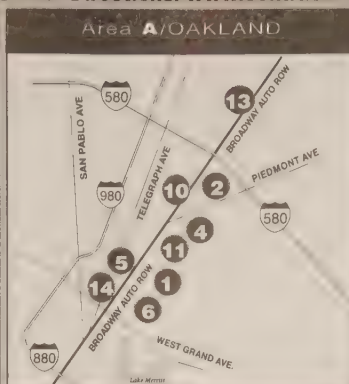
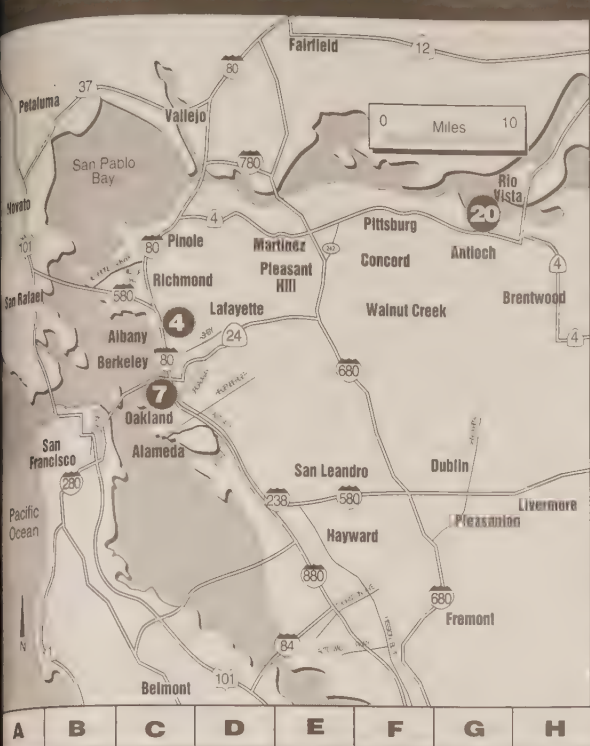
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**GREAT cheap stuff SATURDAY 5/11 7am-7:45pm KANAROD CT. Wolverine Rd & Dear Valley Rd. Housewif, items, clothes, electronics, furniture & lots more! EARLY BIRDS WELCOME!**

**MOVING SALE FRI & SAT MAY 10-11 9am-4pm 1321 Aster Dr. Electronics, tools, 435**

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**3 FAMILIES - 1 Location 177 Delta Way (off Capitlan) Sat 5/11** Baby items/clothes, furniture, lamps, couch set etc.

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Please pickup  
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Reqs equiv to AA & work exp  
operational/mgmt of a comp  
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plus tutorial exp in com  
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College  
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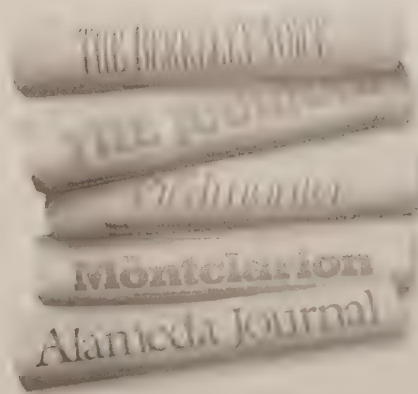
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## Finger sandwiches make for a simple and satisfying snack

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If you're looking for something to serve and easy to eat, finger sandwiches come in handy. They're simple to prepare, and they make an elegant presentation. Finger sandwiches provide a snack for guests who prefer to eat their meal end up on a finger.

Traditional choices such as cucumber sandwiches provide practically any kind of filling, sweet or savory, and just think small.

Finger sandwiches generally are just large enough for two and can be made into shapes such as hearts or flowers or into rectangular, triangular, or square shapes.

When making finger sandwiches, keep in mind that good bread will improve the flavor of the sandwiches.

Bread should be sliced and served without crusts. A coating of butter will keep them from getting soggy.

**Bread**

Limit your choice to white bread. Any type of bread can be a foundation for finger sandwiches. There are just a few possibilities.

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### The filling

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**Raspberry mustard:** This filling is better after sitting for up to a week, so plan ahead if you want to serve it at a party.

In a 1-quart jar, combine  $\frac{3}{4}$  cup yellow mustard seed, 1 cup plus 2 tablespoons raspberry vinegar and water. Let soak 48 hours, adding additional vinegar if needed to maintain enough liquid to cover the seeds.

Scrape the soaked seeds into a food processor. Add 2 tablespoons honey, 2 tablespoons raspberry jam and 2 teaspoons salt. Process until the mustard turns from liquid and seeds to a creamy mixture flecked with seeds. This takes 3 to 4 minutes. Add vinegar and water as necessary to create a nice, creamy mustard.

Serve on herb biscuits with brie cheese.

**Tuna with Ginger Dressing:** Drain 2 (6-ounce) cans albacore tuna and combine with 2 tablespoons canola oil, 2 tablespoons rice vinegar, 2 teaspoons peeled and finely chopped fresh ginger, 4 scallions (white and green parts cut into  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch rounds),  $\frac{1}{2}$  medium cucumber (peeled and shredded) and 4 radishes (trimmed and shredded).

**Apple Cheese Spread:** Allow 8 ounces cream cheese and 1 cup shredded cheddar cheese to reach room temperature. Combine cream cheese and cheddar cheese with 2 tablespoons brandy; beat until smooth. Add in 1 peeled and grated apple of choice and sprinkle with  $\frac{1}{4}$  teaspoon ground black pepper, 1 teaspoon dried thyme, 1 teaspoon dried basil and 1 teaspoon dried oregano. Stir until thoroughly combined.

### Some other choices:

- Cream cheese in just about any combination;
- Asparagus, brie and prosciutto;
- Grilled vegetables;
- Broiled fresh figs, Gorgonzola cheese and toasted walnuts on French bread;
- Peanut butter, honey and peach;
- Edible flowers such as pansy, nasturtium, Johnny-jump-ups, roses or scented geranium blossoms (make sure they're pesticide-free);
- Pureed chickpeas seasoned with olive oil, lemon juice, curry powder, cilantro and salt with cucumber;
- Walnut butter (pureed walnuts with brown sugar and a pinch of salt) and apricot jam;
- Ham with a cream cheese-apricot preserve mixture;
- Tomato and goat cheese.

### Updating classics

Mention finger sandwiches, and the first thing that comes to mind is probably the combination of pineapple, pecans and cream cheese or perhaps cucumber or chicken salad sandwiches. We refer to these as the classics.

**Pineapple-nut filling:** There are any number of variations on this combination, but most start with 8 ounces cream cheese, softened, mixed with a small can well-drained crushed pineapple,  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup chopped nuts (pecans or walnuts), a little milk, mayonnaise or sour cream to improve spreadability and a sweetener such as  $\frac{1}{4}$  cup powdered sugar.

To this basic combination, you can add celery or chopped maraschino cherries, if desired.

One recipe used orange marmalade as the sweetener and added ginger, minced onion and chopped green bell pepper.

As a variation on this theme, you can make a cream cheese filling



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To prepare a traditional open-

faced cucumber sandwich, cut 40 rounds from thin-slice white bread.

Combine  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup mayonnaise,  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup sour cream, 4 tablespoons minced onion, 2-3 tablespoons minced parsley and salt and pepper, to taste. Spoon a rounded half-teaspoon of mixture onto each bread round. Top with a slice of

peeled cucumber. Sprinkle with salt, white pepper and garnish with chopped parsley.

**Chicken salad:** Nearly everyone has a favorite chicken salad recipe, but if you're looking for something different, prepare the salad with a

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## lemon-herb dressing.

Combine 1/4 cup mayonnaise, 1/4 cup plain yogurt, 1 tablespoon chopped fresh dill; 1/2 teaspoon grated lemon zest; 2 teaspoons lemon juice and 1/4 teaspoon salt, or to taste. Add 2 chopped boneless, skinless chicken breasts, and toss to mix. Serve on mini croissants.

## Presentation

With their dainty shape and colorful palette, finger sandwiches don't take a lot of gussying up to make an appealing presentation.

Start with the sandwich itself. Choose a variety of breads: light, dark, rustic, refined — to give your presentation interest.

Use cookie cutters to cut sandwiches into shapes to match the theme of your party or the filling such as flowers, hearts and butterflies for a spring bridal shower.

Garnish sandwiches with fresh herbs, herb blossoms, sliced green onion tops or shapes cut from vegetables using mini cookie cutters.

Choose serving trays to complement the sandwich shapes and colors. Scour your cabinets for unusual platters. Any flat surface such as a marble slab, wooden cutting board or shallow basket will work.

Decorate serving dishes with paper doilies, interesting salad leaves or edible flowers. Finish off the table with lots of colorful napkins and small plates.

## SUN-DRIED TOMATO PATE

1/2 cup sun-dried tomatoes, oil-packed, coarsely chopped  
8 ounces cream cheese; re-

duced fat or fat free OK

1/4 cup chopped green onions  
1/2 cup butter  
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese  
1 clove garlic  
1/4 teaspoon oregano  
1/4 teaspoon rosemary  
1/4 teaspoon basil

Combine all ingredients in a food processor. Blend well, pausing frequently to scrape sides of bowl. Refrigerate at least 4 hours before serving.

Makes 12 servings.  
Note: May substitute prepared sun-dried tomato pesto for sun-dried tomatoes.

Adapted from "Tea Time Journeys" (Rutledge Hill Press, 1997).

## SPICED PITA CRISPS WITH

## STRAWBERRY SPREAD

2 large pita bread rounds or 4 7- to 8-inch flour tortillas  
2 tablespoons sugar  
1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg  
1-2 tablespoons margarine or butter, melted

2-3 fresh strawberries  
1 tablespoon sugar  
1 (8-ounce) container cream cheese with strawberry or pineapple

1 teaspoon finely shredded orange peel

1 sliced orange juice  
Sliced fresh strawberries, for garnish

Cut each pita round or tortilla into 6 wedges. Cut pita wedges in half crosswise to make single layers.

Combine sugar, cinnamon and

nutmeg.

Arrange wedges in single layer on a baking sheet. Brush with margarine; sprinkle with sugar and spices.

Bake at 350 for 10-15 minutes or till golden.

Meantime, crush fresh strawberries with 1 tablespoon sugar until strawberries are in small pieces. Stir strawberries into cream cheese along with orange peel and orange juice. Spread onto crisps. Garnish with sliced strawberries, if desired.

Makes 24 wedges.

## DATE-AND-WALNUT

## SANDWICHES

3 tablespoons cream cheese, softened

4 large slices or 8 small slices fruit or raisin bread

1 tablespoon honey

1/2 cup dates, finely chopped

1/3 cup walnuts, finely chopped

Pinch ground cinnamon

Additional dates and walnuts, for garnish

Spread cream cheese onto all bread slices. Spread honey over half the slices on top of the cream cheese.

Scatter dates and walnuts over the honey-coated slices and sprinkle with cinnamon.

Cover with remaining bread slices, cheese sides down, and press together.

With a knife, remove crusts from bread. Cut large sandwiches into 4 squares or small ones in half. Arrange on serving plate, decorated with dates and walnuts.

Makes 8 sandwiches.

From "The Book of Afternoon Tea" (HPBooks, 1992)

## AVOCADO-AND-BACON

## SANDWICHES

1/4 pound bacon slices, coarsely chopped

1 ripe avocado

1/2 teaspoon lemon juice

Salt and pepper, to taste

3 tablespoons butter, softened

4 large slices whole-wheat bread

Lemon twist and parsley sprig, to garnish

Fry bacon until crisp. Drain on paper towels.

Peel avocado, taking care not to remove bright green flesh just inside the skin. Cut in half and remove seed. In a bowl, mash avocado, then stir in lemon juice, salt and pepper.

Butter bread. Spread avocado mixture on buttered sides of 2 bread slices. Scatter bacon over avocado. Cover with remaining bread slices, buttered sides down, and press together.

Cut off bread crusts. Cut each sandwich into 4 triangles. Arrange on a serving plate, garnished with a lemon twist and parsley sprig.

Makes 8 sandwiches.

From "The Book of Afternoon Tea" (HPBooks, 1992)

## SCALLION BISCUITS WITH

## SMOKED-SALMON SPREAD

1 small red onion, quartered

lengthwise and thinly sliced crosswise

1/4 cup seasoned rice vinegar

2 cups all-purpose flour

2 teaspoons baking powder

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laundry, taking on a lustrous patina that makes them more beautiful with age. If laundering is suggested, choose a pure soap or mild detergent, avoiding those products containing chlorine bleach.

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1 1/4 teaspoons salt

1/4 teaspoon dry mustard

1/4 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper

1/3 cup vegetable shortening

2 large green onions, minced

1 tablespoon minced fresh parsley

1/4 cup plus 1 1/2 tablespoons milk

4 ounces cream cheese, at room temperature

3 ounces thinly sliced cold-smoked salmon

1/2 teaspoon prepared horseradish

1 teaspoon fresh lemon juice

1/2 teaspoon minced fresh dill

Preheat oven to 425 degrees.

Butter a baking sheet. In a small bowl, toss onion and vinegar. Cover and set aside to marinate at least 30 minutes or as long as 3 hours.

To make the biscuits, sift flour, baking powder, salt, dry mustard and black pepper into a large bowl. Cut in shortening with a pastry blender or 2 knives; then stir in green onions and parsley.

Using a fork, lightly stir in enough milk to make a soft dough. Turn dough onto a lightly floured surface. Lightly pat dough into a round 3/4 inch thick. Sprinkle with a little flour. Cut into 15 rounds with a 1 1/2-inch biscuit cutter.

Place biscuits, sides touching, on the baking sheet. The biscuits can be prepared up to this point, then refrigerated as long as 4 hours before baking. Bake until golden, 18-20 minutes. Let cool for 10 minutes.

To make the spread, combine

cream cheese and

salmon in a food processor with the metal blade

smooth. Add horseradish

lemon juice; process

rated. Add dill and process

again. Transfer spread to

bowl. Mince remaining

lemon juice and

spread bottoms with

spread and top with

the pickled onion. Serve

on a serving platter. Garnish

and serve immediately.

Makes 15 biscuits.

From "Finger Food

fishers, 1996)

## CHICKEN SALAD

## WITH LEMON-HERB

1/4 cup mayonnaise

1/4 cup plain yogurt

1 tablespoon chopped

1/2 teaspoon ground

2 teaspoons sugar

1/4 teaspoon salt

2 cooked whole chicken

less chicken breasts

1 inch dice

4 lettuce leaves, washed

8 slices mayonnaise

Combine mayonnaise

dill, lemon zest, lemon

in a medium-size bowl

pieces. Toss with chicken

Place lettuce leaves

of bread. Divide —

among 4 slices. Top

bread; cut each slice

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Start your collection with an elegant linen damask tablecloth and matching napkins to serve as a stately background for the fine china and silverware used for holidays and other special occasions.

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An alternative to canned refried beans is instant refried beans. I use Tostitos. I use a shelf-stable can of beans. You add boiling water, and wait 5 minutes. What could

## Time-saving tips:

Like omelets, scrambled eggs can be used as a foundation for leftover ingredients. Use up extra meat, vegetables and herbs that are too small for another meal. Use whatever cheese you have on hand: Monterey Jack, Cheddar, queso fresco (Mexican fresh cheese). Keep tortillas warm by wrapping them in a clean towel. Or heat tortillas in microwave just before serving.

**MEXICAN SCRAMBLE**  
8 eggs  
1/3 cup water

1/2 teaspoon each: salt, chili powder  
1/4 teaspoon cumin  
1 can (15 1/2 ounces) refried beans  
4 ounces chorizo sausage, casing removed  
1/2 cup shredded Mexican cheese (mixture of Cheddar and Monterey Jack)  
8 corn or flour tortillas  
1 cup bottled or fresh salsa  
■ Combine eggs, water, salt, chili powder and cumin in medium bowl. Whisk until blended; set aside. Heat refried beans according to package directions.  
■ Meanwhile, heat non-stick skillet over medium-high heat; add

sausage. Cook, breaking up pieces, until sausage is cooked through, about 10 minutes. Pour off all but 1 tablespoon of fat. Add

eggs. Cook, stirring gently, until almost set, about 4 minutes. Sprinkle eggs with cheese. Cook 1 minute. Remove from heat. Serve

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# Exploring a yoga vegetarian diet

**BY WILLIAM RICE**  
CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Exploring the precept that anything is not necessary for good health, the teachings of yoga support a vegetarian diet. "Purity of food is purity of mind," and "enrichment of the mind is the natural progress," explains a book, "a product of the traditional Sivananda Yoga Centers in Val Morin, Quebec." The book continues, "Even if you are not a vegetarian, the physical benefits of a vegetarian diet will be surprising. The purification of your practice will modify your diet."

This category includes grains, protein — rich legumes, nuts and seeds, fresh and dried fruits and vegetables, herbs, natural sweeteners and dairy products in moderation. These foods are meant to increase vitality and vigor.

Thus, the preparation that follows is well suited to a party meal as it offers a goodly quantity and variety of vegetables, seeds and nuts plus mild seasoning and healthy citrus juice.

## TRICOLOR SALAD

**Red-beet salad:**

- 4 raw beets, peeled and grated
- 1 cup (generous) sunflower seeds, toasted
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh thyme or oregano
- 1 cup eggless mayonnaise (purchased or homemade)

## Green-watercress salad:

- 1 cup walnut pieces
- 1 bunch watercress, trimmed
- 1 green bell pepper, cored, seeded and sliced
- Juice of 1 grapefruit
- ½ cup olive oil
- Salt and pepper to taste
- Orange-carrot salad, Indian style:**
- 2 carrots, shredded
- 1 teaspoon salt (optional)
- 1 tablespoon raw unsalted peanuts
- 1 tablespoon oil
- ½ teaspoon cumin seeds
- ½ teaspoon black mustard seeds
- 1 teaspoon sesame seeds
- Pinch of ground coriander
- ¼ teaspoon cayenne pepper
- 1 teaspoon lemon or lime juice
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro

■ For the beet salad, combine the grated beets, sunflower seeds and oregano. Add the mayonnaise and stir until ingredients are coated evenly.

■ For the watercress salad, heat a heavy skillet and toast walnuts over high heat until brown; let cool. Mix with watercress and green bell pepper. In a separate bowl, combine the grapefruit juice, olive oil, salt and pepper and pour over the watercress mixture. Toss.

■ For the carrot salad, place the carrots in a bowl and stir in salt. Toast peanuts in the skillet, stirring constantly, until they turn a darker color and give off a rich aroma. Let peanuts cool and grind them coarsely or crush in a mortar with a pestle. Heat oil in a small pan and toast all the seeds until they "pop." Add ground coriander and cayenne pepper to the seeds and cook 1

minute, stirring constantly. Stir mixture into the carrots, along with the peanuts, lemon or lime juice, and cilantro.

■ Arrange the salads on a large serving platter, keeping them separate. Makes four to six servings.

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# Dinner tonight: Balsamic-glazed sausage and grapes with polenta

BY KRISTIN EDDY  
CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The pleasing combination of sweet, salty and sour flavors come together in this dish, which has an Italian flair. Polenta, flavored with a little butter and Parmesan cheese, makes a nice base for the sausages.

**Time saving tips:** Polenta is a quick side dish if you use the instant variety, available in many supermarkets. You also may use packages of pre-cooked polenta, available in the refrigerated foods section.

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¼ cup grated Parmesan cheese  
1 tablespoon unsalted butter  
½ teaspoon each: salt, freshly ground pepper

### Sausage:

1 tablespoon vegetable oil  
1 ½ pounds hot Italian link sausage  
½ cup chicken broth  
1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar  
1 ½ cups seedless green or red grapes

¼ teaspoon each: salt, freshly ground pepper

■ For the polenta, heat water to boil in a large saucepan over medium-high heat. Pour polenta into boiling water in a thin stream; cook, stirring, until soft and thickened, about 5-8 minutes. Stir in cheese,

butter, salt and pepper; cover. Keep warm.

■ For sausage, heat the oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add the sausages; cook, turning, until golden brown, 8-10 minutes. Pierce each sausage a few times with a fork during cooking to prevent

the skin from bursting. Remove from pan; set aside.

■ Add chicken broth to the pan. Cook 2 minutes to reduce slightly. Stir in balsamic vinegar. Add grapes to pan. Cook 1 minute; return sausages to pan. Stir together until grapes and sausage are warm

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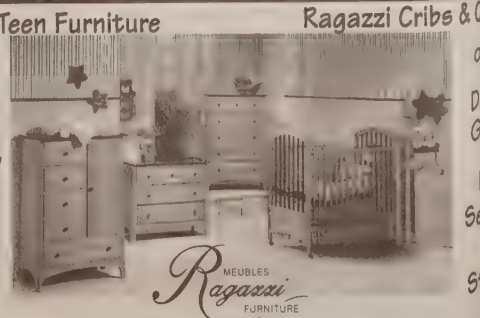
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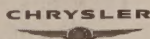
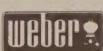
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"Dental implants are unique because they took and feel like real teeth and will be appreciated for years," said Dr. Scott Hamblin, who has been providing cosmetic and implant dentistry in the Danville Livery and Mercantile since 1985. "Dental implants are permanent tooth replacements that look and feel so much like natural teeth, patients usually forget they're not."

A dental implant is an artificial tooth root placed into the jaw to hold a replacement tooth or bridge in place. Since the dental implant integrates into the structure of the bone, it prevents the bone loss and gum recession that often accompanies bridgework and dentures. While high-tech in nature, dental implants are actually more tooth-saving than traditional bridgework, since implants do not rely on neighboring teeth for support.

"Dental implants not only create a winning smile, but more importantly have significant functional benefits to overall good health," said Hamblin. "People with dentures or loose and missing teeth have restricted diets since biting into fresh fruits and vegetables is often not only difficult, but also painful. Dental implants are so secure that the patient will never give a second thought when biting into a crisp apple."

Dental implants will require the same type of care as your own teeth. It is important to

keep the dental implants with at-home oral regular dental visits. The dental treatment they will work closely with the patient and hygienist to develop the best care for the patient's treatment, says Hamblin.

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## The Maturing Home Buyer

(APSI) - Americans lead longer and healthier lives than ever before. In fact, the U.S. Census Bureau reports people age 60 and older now account for 16 percent of the population, or about one in every six Americans.

The growing group of older Americans has a number of specific needs and has become a strong consumer force-one that contributes to virtually every aspect of the economy,

ranging from healthcare to real estate.

The 2000 Census of Population and Housing reports almost 10 million older Americans own their own homes. Analysts expect many of them to purchase new residences in the near future. The trend is called downsizing. It refers to the process by which many older people choose their new homes. Real estate organizations such as Century 21 Real Estate

Corporation which among national full service real estate firms, ranks highest in overall satisfaction for first time home buyers and highest in overall satisfaction with Internet services provided to home sellers-and its System members now specialize in helping older home buyers who want to downsize.\*

The Century 21® MatureMove® SM program trains real estate agents to work with older Americans,

helping them find new homes that meet their unique needs and wants.

"Because many older home buyers have been out of the real estate market for decades, it's important to listen closely to them and explain everything, to help reduce the anxiety many of them feel about purchasing a house," says Century 21 agent Sherri Goss.

Goss says older buyers may focus on the safety of a house-including an attached garage so they can walk directly from the car to the house. Other safety features of interest are well-lit stairs, wider doorways and a ground level entrance.

The Century 21 MatureMove® program recommends the following tips for older Americans who plan to downsize:

- **Neighborhood**-Look for areas with well-lit roads and sidewalks, a neighborhood watch program and convenient shopping and medical resources.

- **House Exterior** - Single level homes with gardens and attractive landscaping are generally favorites of mature buyers.

- **Bathroom** - Look for easy-grip faucets and a walk-in shower or tub.

- **Kitchen** - Homes with easy to reach cabinets, rounded countertop corners and matte surfaces can be best for seniors.

In addition, older Americans may benefit from having low-level carpeting or hardwood floors.

To locate a nearby Century 21 office, visit [www.Century21.com](http://www.Century21.com).

Older homebuyers have wants and needs different from many younger people in the market.

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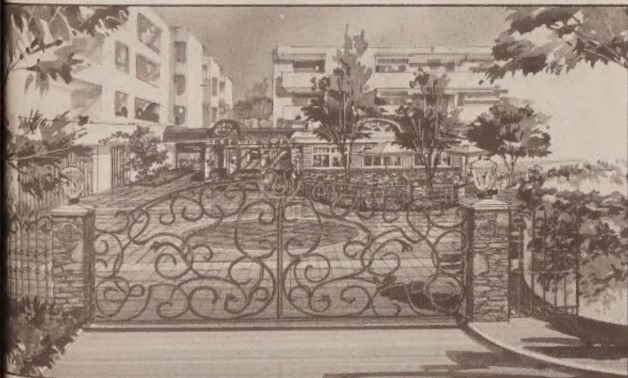
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## Danville Village Celebrates National Nursing Home Week

Danville Village will join thousands of long term care providers in California and across the nation celebrating National Nursing Home Week, beginning Mother's Day, May 12, 2002. This week-long celebration honors the residents, staff and volunteers working and residing in long-term care facilities. This year's theme, Celebrating the Seasons of Life, conveys the richness of life nursing facility residents possess, both through a reminiscence of the past and the dynamic influences of the present. The theme also demonstrates the ongoing contribution quality care makes in the lives of senior Americans living in nursing facilities. Through providing excellent services, caregivers cultivate a standard of care that inspires and positively impacts those around them.

Danville Nursing Center is making plans for a week of activities and events for the

enjoyment of residents, families, staff, volunteers, and the community. Some of the activities include a facility Open House on May 15th from 11:00am-2pm, and a facility BBQ on Friday, May 17th at 12 noon. Community members are encouraged to participate as well as tour the facility. "We encourage the community to visit our facility and participate in special activities for our residents and staff," said Richard McNulty, facility Administrator. "This week is a special time to recognize the special people in the long-term care community, and we hope

that you take advantage of this opportunity." There are currently more than 1,200 licensed skilled nursing facilities in California. These facilities employ more than 200,000 caregivers, dietitians, therapists, housekeepers, and other professionals to provide care and services to more than 250,000 people each year.

To learn more about National Nursing Home Week, contact Danville Nursing Center, by calling Richard McNulty at (925) 837-4566, or log on to the website at [Danvillevillage.com](http://Danvillevillage.com).



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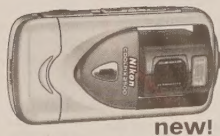
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